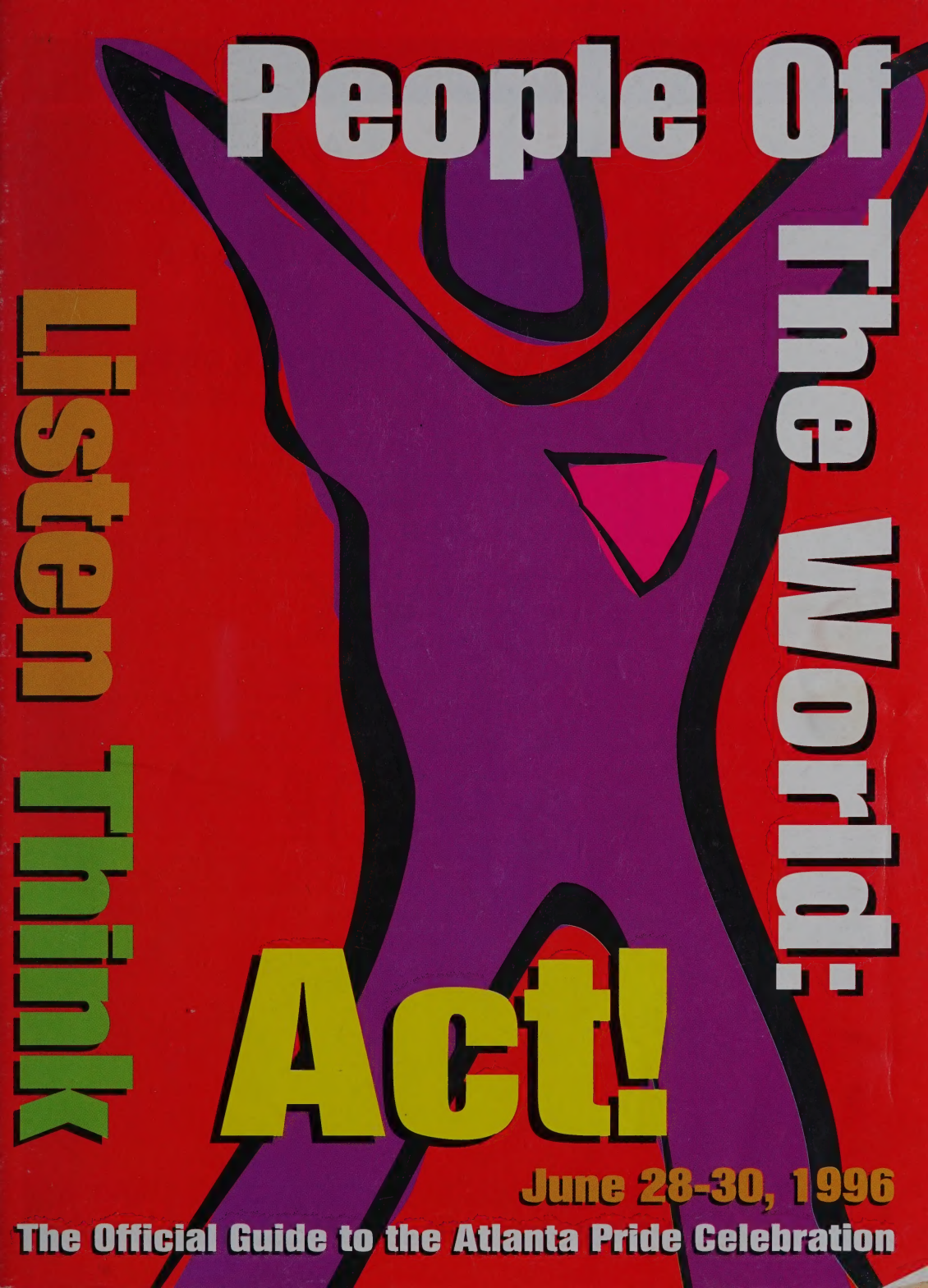

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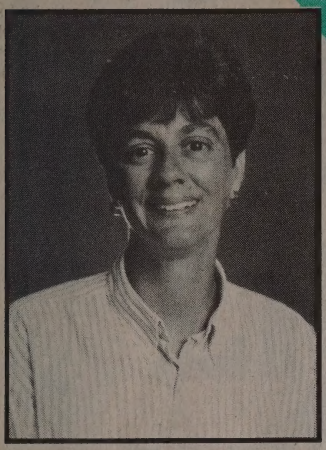

Donna Narducci
Executive Director
Atlanta Pride Committee

Welcome to the 1996 Atlanta Pride Celebration! Our theme for this year's celebration, "People of the World: Listen, Think, Act" is a call to action. The eyes of the world are on Atlanta this year as the Olympic games are just around the corner. Pride weekend is an opportunity for the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered community of Atlanta and the Southeast, along with our friends and supporters to come together and show our unity, our strength, and our diversity.

We will remember our loved ones lost to AIDS at the vigil Friday night. Though we have yet to attain the right to legally marry, many couples will show their commitment to their life partner at the Commitment Ceremony Friday evening. Throughout the weekend we will hear from nationally known speakers, listen to an excellent lineup of entertainment, browse the marketplace, or dance a little. On Sunday, we take to the streets of Atlanta with the annual parade and march — Queers marching in pride and protest down Peachtree Street! The Pride Celebration is something we do for ourselves, to take one weekend out of the entire year to be with our family of choice. To be in an environment that welcomes us for who we are.

It's amazing the amount of work that goes into planning Pride weekend. The Pride Committee has one paid staff person, and the rest are volunteers. We work year 'round to plan this event and raise the necessary money to finance it.

I would like to personally thank the Operations Committee Chairs for the countless hours they've put into organizing this year's festival. I am indebted to you all — thank you for your dedication and most importantly, your friendship.

I thank the Board of Directors for their support, and I thank all of the volunteers who have worked at our fundraisers, or who are working Pride weekend. Without the dedication of all these folks, the Atlanta Pride festival would not be what it is today — the largest in the Southeast and fourth largest in the nation. Great job, you all are the best!!!

Yours in Pride,
Donna Narducci

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Greetings:

With great respect for the pride, self-esteem and tremendous accomplishments of our City's gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered community, I offer my congratulations for 26 years of pride and protest as you ask the... "People of the World: Listen, Think, Act."

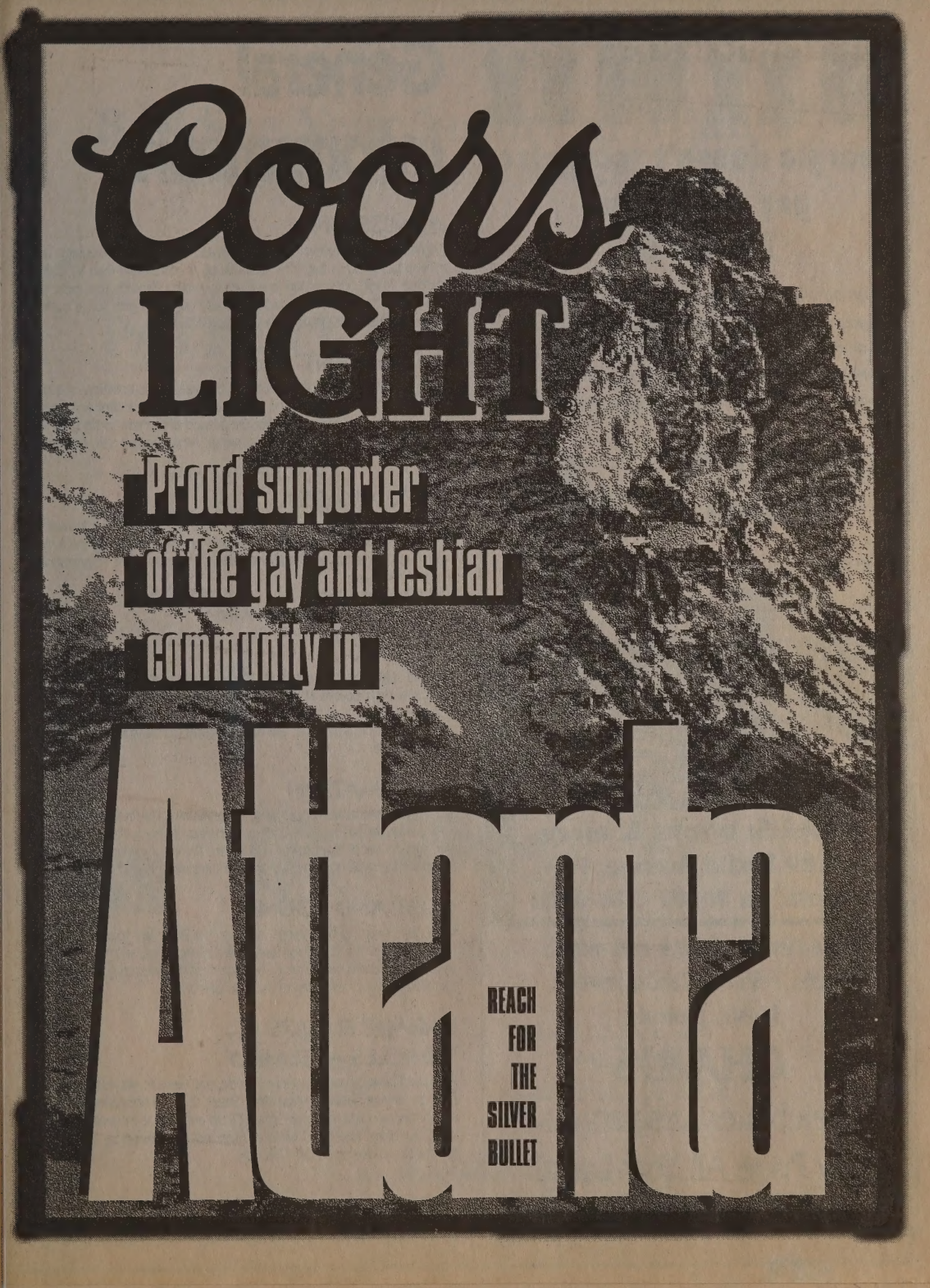
On behalf of the City of Atlanta, we join with you in this celebration of your undefeatable spirit and thank you for your many contributions to the quality of life our citizens enjoy. You enhance the cultural diversity of the City and are an integral part of our community.

Your goal of achieving understanding and tolerance among our citizens and all people is to be commended, and I applaud your continuing struggle for basic human rights for all our citizens.

Congratulations and best wishes for continued success of the Atlanta PRIDE Celebration.

Sincerely,

Bill Campbell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ADMISSION

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DANCE TENT

New to the Atlanta Pride Celebration this year is the addition of a dance tent located at the end of the market area. The dance tent will feature a variety of music. Check the schedule posted at the tent to find out when your favorite dance music will be playing! The suggested daily admission is $3.00

FESTIVAL AREA

The festival area is located in Piedmont Park in Midtown. The festival consists of entertainment, speakers, food and beverage vendors, and a market with over 200 artists, vendors, businesses, and non-profit organizations.
Festival hours are:
Friday, 6:00 pm-9:00 pm
Saturday and Sunday, 10:00 am-10:00 pm

FIRST AID

First aid stations are located throughout the festival to assist you. Look for red cross flags posted at those tents. Treatment and medication for cuts, scrapes, sunburn and heat exhaustion can be handled by trained personnel. Ambulance attendants are also available to transport seriously ill or injured guests.

INFORMATION

Need more information about what's happening at the Pride Festival? Come to the Information Booths and let us help you. Here you'll also find general information about the festival in Spanish, French, German, and Italian. A special information program for the sight impaired is also available.

LOST AND FOUND

If you lose personal belongings, come to the Pride Tent to see if they have been turned in. If you find someone else's personal belongings, bring them to the Pride Tent to be claimed. The Pride Tent is located near the entertainment stage at the beginning of the festival market.

PARADE FLOATS & VEHICLES ASSEMBLY

If you will have a float or vehicle in Pride, you need to get to the assembly area by driving south on Peachtree Street to the intersection with West Peachtree, or come south on Spring Street and take the connector east to West Peachtree. Floats and vehicles must arrive for lineup by 11:30 am, as the streets will be closed at 11:45 am.

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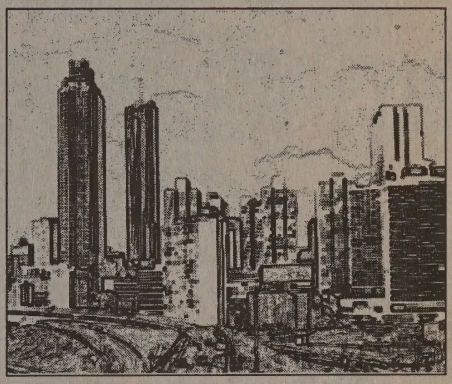

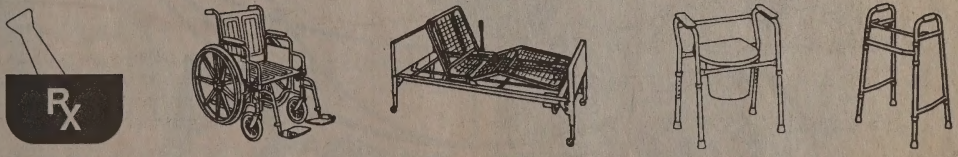

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PARADE MARCH ASSEMBLY

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You are encouraged to take MARTA to the Civic Center station. Many streets will be blocked off for the parade so parking will be difficult at best.

PETS

There are no restrictions against pets, however, we recommend you leave your pets at home where they will be more comfortable.

PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED

Sign interpreters are located on the entertainment stage for all speeches, songs and dialogue. A special seating area designated for the physically challenged is located close to the stage. Accessible port-a-johns are located in each of the designated port-a-john areas.

Sight impaired individuals can access information about the festival at the Information booths.

Transportation to the festival is available by taking the MARTA shuttles, which are equipped with lifts. Bus lines 16, 31 and 46 will drop off at Piedmont Park on 12th Street near the American Legion.

PRIDE TENT

The Pride Committee's headquarters is located at the Pride Tent. Here you will find the the Security station, primary First Aid treatment center and Lost and Found. The Pride Tent is located at the beginning of the Market, near the entertainment area.

RECYCLING

Bins designated for plastic cups, aluminum, glass and paper will will be located throughout the park and along the parade route. Keep our streets, park, and planet free from waste—recycle wherever possible.

SECURITY/SAFETY

The Pride Committee has a Security staff to assist our guests during the Pride Celebration. Should you have questions or problems, look for the volunteers with the Security t-shirts.

TRANSPORTATION TO THE FESTIVAL

It is suggested that you take MARTA to the festival. Parking near the festival site will be limited to area residents. MARTA provides a shuttle service from the Arts Center Station to the park's 12th Street entrance near the American Legion. It will cost $1.50 each way, and you must get a transfer ticket for the shuttle.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you can give a few hours of your time to help out during the Pride Celebration, stop by the Pride Tent and sign up for a two-hour shift. It takes LOTS of volunteers to run this event, so your help will be greatly appreciated!

For more information about Pride '96, or to volunteer, please call the Pride Line at (770) 662-4533 or e-mail to AtlPride@aol.com. Visit the Atlanta Pride web page at http://users.aol.com/AtlPride for the most current information.

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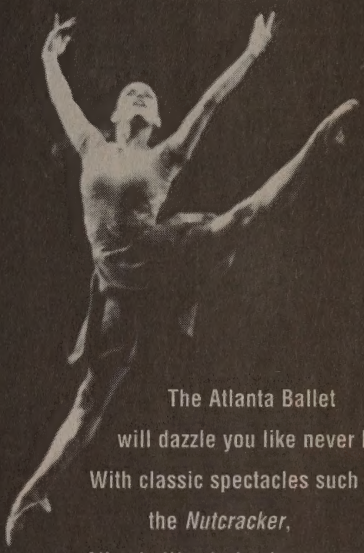

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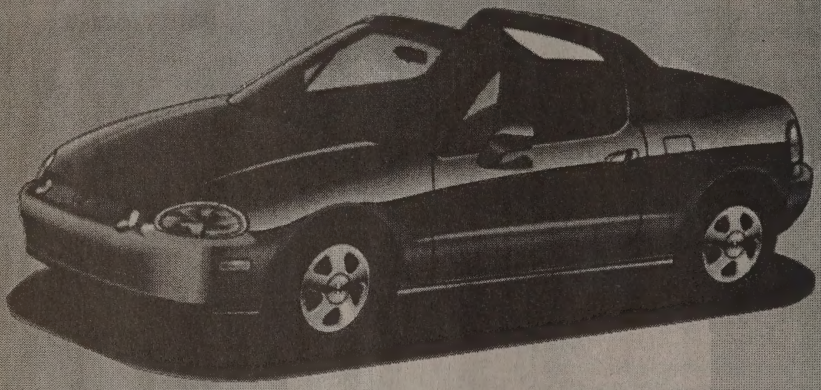

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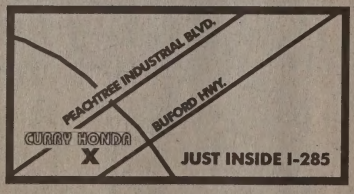

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Weekend Schedule of Events

FRIDAY
June 28, 1996
Piedmont Park
7-10 p.m.

A very special evening of romance under the stars will feature blues, jazz, gospel, choir and cabaret. Music will begin at 7:00 p.m. and break for the Commitment Ceremony (sponsored by Atlanta Couples Together) at 7:30 pm. Music will then continue uninterrupted until 10:00 pm.

Performers include: Michael Bransford, Lynn Loosier, SB Jones, Richard Bicknell, Jaha, John Manion, Ramona Dugger, The Christ Covenant MCC Church Choir, **Carolyn Karrh** with **DJ Johnson**, Monica Mason, and **The Soulutions**.

The Dance Tent will also be open from 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Please note that dates and times are subject to change.

SATURDAY
June 29, 1996
Piedmont Park
10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

YOUTH AND FAMILY PROGRAM

Atlanta Pride is very pleased to announce the best youth and family program we have ever had. The program's co-chairs are Amber Feldman and Kristy Jo, who are both experienced specialists in children's theater. They have brought their combined expertise to Atlanta Pride for the second year. They will produce activities throughout the weekend, including performances on stage, a storytelling tent, an art area, and a special section for families in the March on Sunday. If you are interested in marching with the "youth and family" contingent, please meet at 9:00 a.m. in the parking lot of the MARTA Arts Center station.

The stage lineup is headlined by the **Bugaboos**, featuring Melanie Hammett and Gerard McHugh. Also appearing will be storyteller Naguma Tony Alexander, puppeteer Gayle Trapnell, juggler **Frank Barham** and mime/clown Allie Rivenbark.

ALL DAY SATURDAY ENTERTAINMENT
Piedmont Park
1:00-6:00 p.m.

Saturday entertainment will continue through the afternoon until 6:00 pm, when drummers will leave the stage to begin the Dyke March. We will break during the march and then continue uninterrupted until 10:00 p.m.

1:00-3:00 p.m.
Scott Roberts
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3:00-6:00 p.m.
Cool Joe
Kristen Hall
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Rooke
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DYKE MARCH
Saturday, June 29, 1996
Piedmont Park
6:00 p.m.

Drummers will leave the stage and lead the way to the Dyke March which starts at the Charles Allen Dr. entrance to Piedmont Park. The Dyke March will end at the stage with more drumming and speakers. All women are encouraged to join in. Music will resume on the stage at approximately 8:00 p.m.

8:00-10:00 p.m.
Dykes in Drag
Erin Musselwhite
What It Is
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The Dance Tent and the Pride Market will be open from 10:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. on Saturday. Again, times of performances are subject to change.

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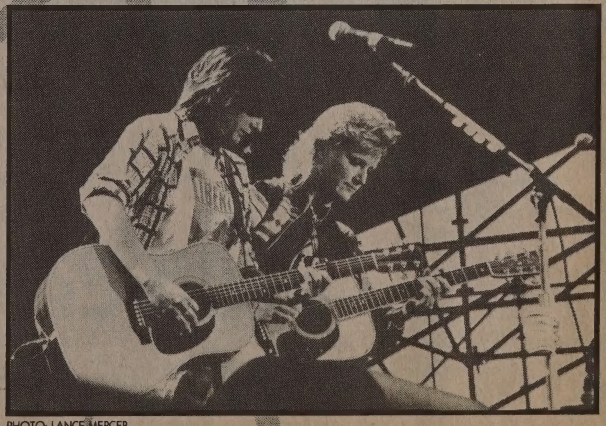

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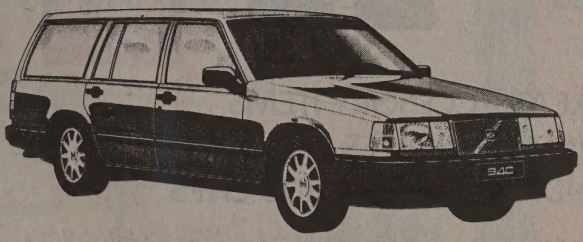

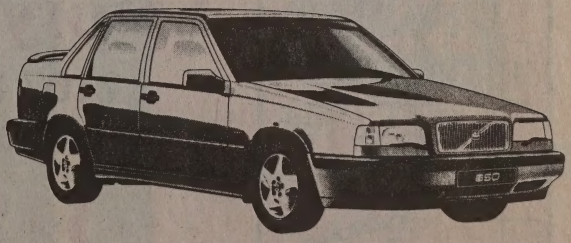

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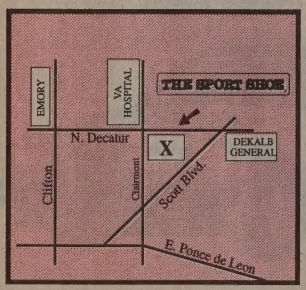

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NOON-10:00 P.M.

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12:30-3:00 p.m.

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Doubting Thomas
Michelle Malone
Red Skull

7:00-10:00 p.m.

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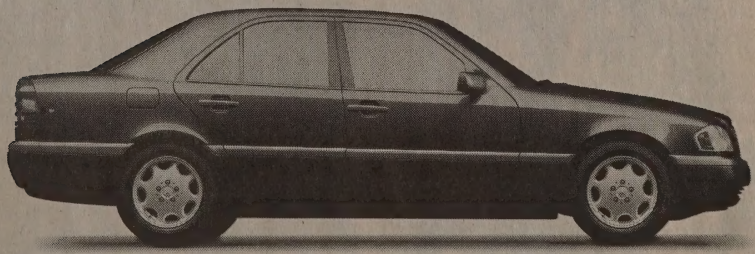

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FRIDAY JUNE 28, 1996

CAROLYN KARRH

Carolyn has been a regular entertainer in the Key Club at The Otherside of Atlanta, and also the guest vocalist at the 1995 Dixie League Bowling Tournament Kickoff Party. She has performed in numerous theatrical productions.

Carolyn's heart lies in Christian Music Ministry. It is here, she says, that she has found her purpose in life: to touch others through music in the name of Christ. First Metropolitan Community Church of Atlanta is her church home and she is a spiritual vocalist there. She has appeared as a special guest performer at both the 1994 and 1995 Metropolitan Community Church District Conferences in Montgomery, Alabama, Charlotte, North Carolina, and also the General Conferences in Atlanta.

Carolyn has donated her time and talents to many local AIDS Benefits including Masquerade, Hoedowns and the Leathermen of Atlanta's Southern Harmony.

Carolyn Karrh

THE SOULUTIONS

From the studios of Don McCollister (Indigo Girls, Donkey) comes a new album by the band that Creative Loafing readers voted as "Atlanta's best blues and jazz band for 1995": The Soulutions. The band's debut album "Necessary Madness," resurrects the beloved sounds of bands like The Style Council and artists like Marvin Gaye and Stevie Wonder.

The Soulutions hail from Atlanta, GA. The band was put together by Reagan Anderson, lead singer and bassist, in 1994. The Soulutions have been playing their upbeat brand of soul/pop at local venues for more than a year. Through Headlining evenings at bars such as The Darkhorse Tavern and opening for acts such as The Commitments at Variety Playhouse, the band has developed a steady following of souls in the Atlanta area.

Soul-Drenaline. Soul dancing. Soul music. If you haven't given it a listen yet, there's no better time than now.

ASE Drumming Circle

With tight arrangements supported by Chris Sellman on the bass, Brian Simms singing and playing keyboards and drummer Marc Lawrence, disappear fear is moving audiences to dance, to cry and to buy their music.

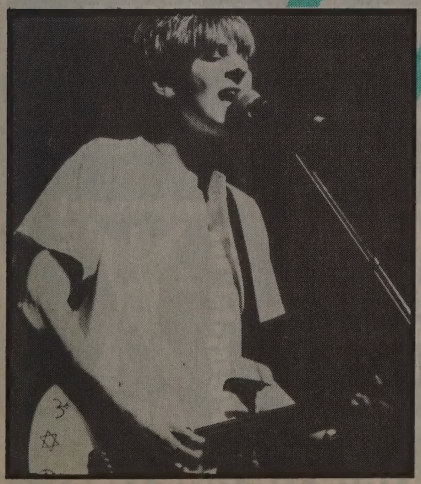
SATURDAY JUNE 29, 1996

disappear fear

Kicking up dust and a rustle of press across the country with nothing but her guitar and harmonica, sonia rutstein continues to build a relentless following. Some call it rock. Some call it folk; it is inimitably sonia rutstein.

Her sound is somewhere between Patti Smith and the late, great Phil Ochs, a contemporary of Bob Dylan. Ochs was a pure artist, unattracted to fame and fortune; he was true to himself, true to his sound. Like Phil Ochs, sonia uses music to say what it seems more and more folks want to hear.

Now a Rounder/Philo recording artist with four national award winning albums, disappear fear is a future to believe in.



disappear fear

ASE DRUMMING CIRCLE

ASE is a percussion and vocal ensemble of women musicians. The ASE (pronounced ah-shay) Drumming Circle is a group of six percussionists and vocalists strongly influenced by the rhythms, chants and legends of the Yoruba, Dahomey and Voudon traditions of West Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean. Their music combines African American R&B and gospel traditions with African-based sounds. The Circle's musical repertoire ranges from folkloric and ceremonial to contemporary pieces. They are from places as far-flung as Canada, the United States, Puerto Rico and Jamaica.

The Circle has been together in this configuration for three years, according to Phyllis Bethel, Director of ASE. "We've mixed veterans with beginners to create an intimate and ever-expanding circle of women's percussion. It's important to respect drumming, and it's important that anybody who is interested should try it."

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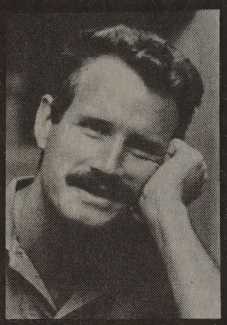

◀ Friday, June 14, 7:30 PM
Chris Glaser
"Uncommon Calling"
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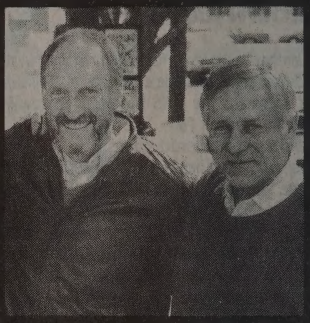
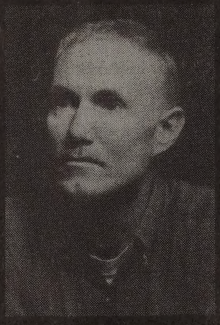
▶ Friday, June 21
7:30 PM
Doug Sadownick
"Sex Between Men"
Harper Collins, $25.00



▲ Wednesday, June 26
7:30 PM
Dick Shaap
"Gay Olympian: The Life and Death of Dr. Tom Waddell"
Knopf, $23.00

◀ Saturday, June 29
2:00 PM
Craig Hickman
"Rituals: Poetry and Prose"
Parfait de Cocoa Press, $12.95



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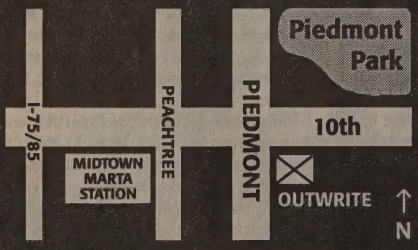

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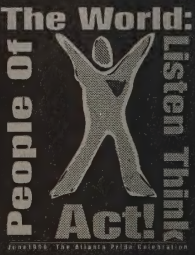

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HEADLINE ENTERTAINERS

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SUNDAY JUNE 30, 1996

INDIGO GIRLS

The relationship that Indigo Girls Emily Saliers and Amy Ray have established with their audience is like a river that nourishes the land through which it flows and is replenished in turn. It's a deep well-spring of mutual inspiration which has propelled the Georgia duo through a career now entering its twelfth year. Since the release of the Epic debut album "Indigo Girls" in 1989, their live performances — rather than saturation radio play or video overkill — have sparked sales of some six million Indigo Girls albums in the US alone.

Since 1989, and a landmark tour with R.E.M., Amy and Emily have played over 1200 shows across the USA and around the world. They've come a long way from Atlanta's Little Five Points Pub, yet they've held on to the one-to-one intensity and impassioned spirit which fueled their earliest gigs. Maintaining that spirit over years of touring takes a special kind of dedication.

"Our shows are not a blur to me," says Amy Ray. "We try to be conscious every time we play, to really *be there*. We're not the kind of band that goes through the motions of a performance."

Their latest album, "1200 Curfews," features live renditions of many all-time Indigo Girls concert favorites. There's the breakthrough hit "Closer To Fine" and the classic "Land of Canaan" (which Amy Ray introduces by noting that "when I first wrote this song, it was a ballad. Then I heard the Replacements, and it wasn't anymore.") There's a beautiful version of "Power of Two," taken from a radio station acoustic performance, and a touchingly naive (and previously unreleased) song called "Back Together Again," recorded in Amy's basement in 1982.

The power of faith...the power of song...the power of two: **Indigo Girls**

Mary Fortune Express

MARY FORTUNE EXPRESS

MFE was born in the autumn of 1994 when Chris McGuire (Ellen James Society) initiated a return to electric music from a year intermission as an acoustic solo performer. The group formed virtually overnight when Stephen Hines (Ellen James Society) and Don Mixon (Mary My Hope) inadvertently attended a Chris McGuire show and were persuaded to perform with her. That performance brought back together the latter core of the "Ellen James Society," and with the addition of bassist Daniel DiNardo, the group quickly began booking shows under the name "Chris McGuire Quartet."

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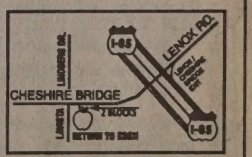

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In the group's third month, the "Chris McGuire Quartet" went on the air at 99X radio. An unspoken commitment was made, and the band seemed to take on a vitality of its own by announcing their new name, "**Mary Fortune Express.**" The band has matured into a group of poise and balance both in their music and performances.

CELESTE CARBALLO

Celeste was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina and started her singing career in the pubs there. She sang with Peter Gabriel in Buenos Aires; opened for Bob Dylan and sang with Santana in Spain. Her music ranges from Blues, Tango and Rock and Roll. She irradiates a love for life that translates into her music. She just finished composing the music for the 35 mm Feature "Inn Trouble," directed by Cristina Rey. Celeste has been a recording artist since 1982 and has just finished recording her upcoming CD.

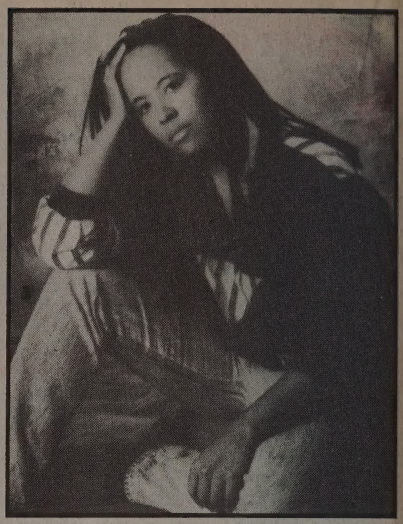
BELLOLUNA

Lush piano chords. Jazzy-cool drumming. Serpentine bass lines. These are some key elements of Belloluna's warm and rich piano-based pop sound. Apply these qualities to a catalogue of hook-laden original songs, and you've got a band with a unique sound that contrasts the standard guitar-based college radio fare that is so prevalent these days. In fact, Belloluna music sounds a lot like AM radio pop tunes from the '70s—everything from Elton John and Billy Joel to Steely Dan or Supertramp.

Belloluna was formed in 1993 by singer/songwriter John Brand, whose past musical accomplishments include a vast body of original material recorded at home over a ten year period of time. He was also Indigo Girl Amy Ray's original "staff of one" at her not-for-profit indie label Daemon Records, where he is still on staff today.

DEIDRE MCCALLA

Deidre MCalla is a recent Atlanta transplant with three Olivia Records albums to her credit. The singer/songwriter opened for Kate Clinton here in March, and spends a good deal of her time on the road performing at clubs and festivals across the country. Her particular brand of music, "urban accoustic pop/folk," she calls it, was honed from years in the midwest, Greenwich Village and California. Content to be in Atlanta now, so her two year old son can be near his grandparents, McCalla now hopes to be able to successfully juggle the demands of motherhood and those of a musical career.



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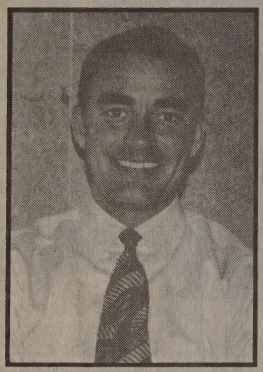

Tony Braswell

Director, Infectious Disease Clinic of Grady Health Care System

Tony is the Executive Director of the IDC Clinic of the Grady Health Care System Infectious Disease Program. Under his leadership, the IDC Clinic is the finest, state of the art clinic in the world dealing with infectious diseases and primarily with the HIV and AIDS virus. Serving Metro Atlanta, the IDC Clinic provides medical and dental care to many patients that otherwise could not afford treatment.

The services reach a current base of over 4200 patients, adult men and women, as well as children. In addition to clinic care, other services are provided to meet the needs in every stage of HIV. The current staff includes over 125 full and part time positions.

Having HIV himself, Tony has dedicated his life to providing the highest level of quality health care to those in need within our community. His devotion to the gay and HIV community is extensive. Tony's service includes the following:

AIDS Treatment Initiatives Board of Directors, 1994-1997
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Atlanta Homecoming Campaign Committee
Ryan White Allocations Committee
United Way of Atlanta Board of Directors, 1994-1996
Grady Hospital United Way Co-Chair, 1989-Present
American Society for Ambulatory Care Professionals
American College of Health Care Executives, AHA

Linda Bryant

Co-owner, Charis Books & More

For as long as I can remember, my life has been about creating community — looking for or building bridges, learning to communicate across differences, working to promote peace and justice. For the last twenty-two years, that work has been located at Charis: Books and More in Little Five Points. During that time, I became a mother. My son is now 21, and his presence in my life is one of my greatest joys. Also during these years, I have grown as a feminist and continue to understand more and more about human rights.

When I came out as a lesbian in 1978, the same year I completed Candler School of Theology at Emory, my life took on another dimension, and I found deep joy, personal struggle, and the incredible richness of being part of the lesbian/gay/bisexual community. My biography is inextricably intertwined with my work, my home, my partner, my family of friends. That work takes me now to the privilege of serving on the Advisory Board of the Metropolitan Atlanta Community Foundation's Gay and Lesbian Funding Initiative and the creative and challenging work of the Charis Circle, the nonprofit branch supporting the programming at Charis Books. I also participate in the First Existentialist Congregation.

I am honored to be a part of Pride '96, where we can celebrate ourselves, show the world our numbers, and claim our right to love, and our right to live our lives fully and freely.

Sherry Emory

Co-owner, Charis Books & More

Like many of you, when I first came to Charis Books as a customer, in the early 1980s, I was seeking answers for my personal questions and personal peace. I found a home — from customer to volunteer to staff and ownership — and I've found answers over the years as the questions kept changing and deepening.

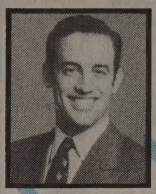
That is what Charis is about — an accepting home for all — lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgenered/heterosexual/women/men/children — where we are supported to be and feel and question and grow at our own pace. I have learned so much about myself (my sexuality, Judaism, illness, parenting) and continue to be pushed around the edges, as we strive to be a truly diverse and accepting safe space for all.

Charis has been such a gift to me, and I hope she continues to be for us all. I am honored to represent Charis at Pride '96.

Honorary Grand Marshals

Kristen Hall
Musician

"For me, making music is cathartic," says Atlanta singer-songwriter Kristen Hall. "I have these feelings that I've *got* to express, or they will consume me." Hall, who has toured the country with Indigo Girls Amy Ray and Emily Saliers, is no stranger to Atlantans. Not only can she be heard playing around town, Hall is now also very involved, along with Emily Saliers, with Billings House, a hospice for indigent people with AIDS. Hall will also be an emcee this weekend at Pride and perform as well.



Bruce Hayes
Olympic Gold Medalist

Bruce Hayes won a gold medal for the 800 meter freestyle relay during the 1984 Olympic competition in Los Angeles. In 1990 he came out as a gay man by swimming in Gay Games III in Vancouver. Hayes then served as athletic spokesperson for Gay Games IV in New York City in 1994, and picked up six gold medals there. He is currently the assistant manager for the swimming competition for the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games.

Shelly Roberts
Author, columnist

Shelly Roberts, a widely read lesbian humor columnist, is also the author of "The Dyke Detector" and "Hey Mom, Guess What!" Her newest book, "Roberts' Rules of Lesbian Living," pokes fun at most issues held close to every lesbian's heart—dating, kids, pets, sex, therapy, and coupledom. Her column, "Robert's Rules," appears in numerous gay and lesbian publications across the country. Ms. Roberts lives in Pompano Beach, Florida.

Sean Sasser
AIDS Educator

AIDS activist and trainer Sean Sasser joined the Human Rights Campaign as a 1996 spokesman for the National Coming Out Project, an ongoing effort urging gay men and lesbians to be open about their sexual orientation. Sean has lived with HIV since he was 18. His story reached millions when he appeared in the MTV documentary series "The Real World III" where he and his now-deceased partner, Pedro Zamora, opened their lives to the world. Sean is also a speaker at Atlanta Pride on Sunday.

Kenneth Wade
Olympic Torch Bearer

Kenneth Wade, a Midtown caterer, is one of 5,500 Community Heroes chosen from across the country to carry the Olympic torch. Wade says he'll carry the torch for people other than himself. Three of his close friends have died of AIDS. His sister is fighting breast cancer. "My run is in honor of them, the friends I've lost and my sister. They'll be with me when I'm carrying the torch," Wade said.

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Keith O. Boykin

Executive Director, National Black Gay & Lesbian Leadership Forum

Keith is Executive Director of the National Black Gay & Lesbian Leadership Forum, which runs an AIDS Prevention Team in South Central Los Angeles and an annual national conference for African-American lesbians and gay men. Most recently, he worked in the White House as a Special Assistant to the President of the United States and Director of Specialty Media.

At the White House, Keith worked extensively on African-American and gay and lesbian outreach efforts and helped to organize and participate in the first meeting between gay and lesbian leaders and a President of the United States. He also drafted President Clinton's statement on the 1993 Gay & Lesbian March on Washington and the President's letter opposing anti-gay ballot initiatives.

Pat Hussain

Board member, National Gay and Lesbian Task Force; co-chair, Olympics Out of Cobb

Pat Hussain has been a fixture on the Atlanta activist scene for many years. With the energy and tenacity of three women, Pat has accomplished things in her activist life that others can only dream of. Articulate, passionate and proud to her core, she is one of the most inspiring speechmakers in Atlanta.

Among her vast accomplishments and responsibilities are: Southerners on New Ground, co-director; Olympics Out of Cobb Colation, co-chair; National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, Board member; 1993 March on Washington, Outreach director; "Olympics Out of Cobb Spiked!" co-author with Jon-Ivan Weaver

Mike Nelson

Openly gay mayor of Carrboro, N.C.

On Nov. 7, 1995 Mike Nelson became the first openly gay mayor in the state of North Carolina and only one of five gay mayors in the country. Nelson, a travel agent in his early 30's, was a city alderman of the small town close to Chapel Hill before being elected to mayor with 49% of the vote in a three-way race. He spent months going door to door, introducing himself to virtually everyone in the town of 15,000 people.

Mike ran as a social liberal and a fiscal conservative and focused on issues such as control of the booming growth of shopping centers and strip malls in his town. As an alderman, he sponsored a bill that created a domestic partners registry in Carrboro and extended benefits to the gay partners of city employees.

Wendy O'Neal

Youth Representative

Wendy O'Neal is co-chair of the Spelman College Lesbian/Bisexual Alliance. She is a native of New Orleans and works in Atlanta as an intern at Amnesty International.

Riki Anne Wilchins

Transgender activist

Riki Anne Wilchins is a lesbian or bisexual, or transexual or transgendered, man or woman living in Greenwich Village, New York City. Her hobbies include: The Transexual Menace, The Lesbian Avengers, attacking binary economies and any other political system which opposes her or just really pisses her off.

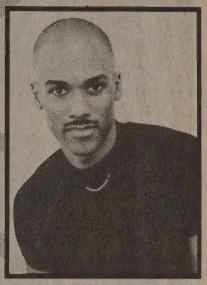
SUNDAY, June 30

Dawn Averitt-Doherty

Founder, Women's Information & Service Exchange

Dawn Averitt-Doherty was diagnosed HIV+ in 1988 when she was nineteen years old. An Atlanta native, she spent several years in Washington, D.C., working on Capitol Hill before returning home in October 1993 to become the Treatment Resource Specialist for the AIDS Survival Project. In January 1995, Dawn founded WISE (Women's Information & Service Exchange). WISE is the first organization in the United States to focus specifically on treatment information and treatment advocacy for women living with HIV disease and AIDS.

In addition to WISE, Dawn serves as a patient advocate and a community representative on numerous local and national boards and committees.



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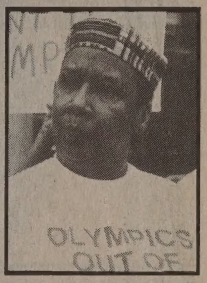

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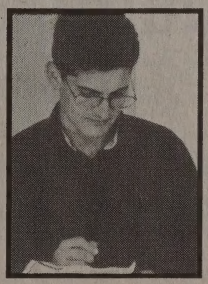

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Coretta Scott King

Founder and former Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of The Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, Inc.

During Dr. King's career, Mrs. King occasionally substituted for him as a speaker and frequently appeared, in her own right, as a speaker before groups throughout the United States and abroad. Mrs. King has carried her husband's advocacy of peace and justice through nonviolent action across the nation and throughout the world.

Since Dr. King's assassination, her life's work has been dedicated to building the Atlanta-based Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Change, Inc., which was established in 1968. Last year, more than three million people visited The

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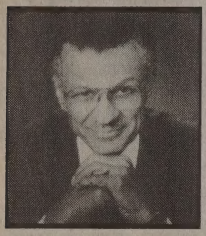
Dawn Averitt-Doherty

Coretta Scott King



Rev. C.T. Vivian

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King Center, which includes Dr. King's entombment, his birth home, the Freedom Hall Complex and Ebenezer Baptist Church. The King Center promotes Dr. King's philosophy and strategy for nonviolence through seminars, workshops and training programs for youth, teachers, community leaders, administrators and others.

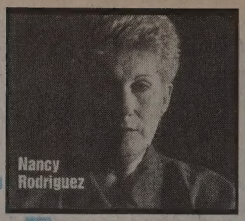
Mrs. King led the mobilization efforts for the 20th Anniversary March on Washington, D.C., by bringing together more than 800 human rights organizations to form the Coalition of Conscience. The 1983 march brought more than half a million protestors to the nation's capital. In 1984, Mrs. King was elected chairperson of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Commission, which was established by an act of Congress to formalize plans for the first legal holiday in honor of Dr. King in 1986.

Nancy Rodriguez

Spokeswoman, Parents, Friends and Families of Lesbians and Gays

Nancy Rodriguez is a Georgia mother whose son was brutally murdered by a gang of teenage gay bashers in Houston, Texas in 1991. Since then she has worked tirelessly to educate the courts and society in general about the high cost of homophobia in our society.

Recently, Nancy was fired from her job for participating in a P-FLAG rally against violence which aired on local television. She also appeared in a television ad created by P-FLAG which condmens anti-gay speech and features the likes of Pat Robertson and Jesse Helms verbally bashing gay people.



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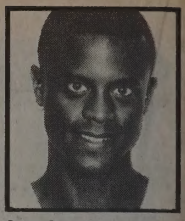

Sean Sasser

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AIDS Educator, TV Personality, see pg. 23

Rev. C.T. Vivian

Board Chair, Center for Democratic Renewal

In 1945, Rev. Vivian organized his first non-violent direct action to protest segregation: a series of lunch counter sit-ins in Peoria, Illinois. Since that time, he has been continuously involved in the struggle for human and civil rights as an educator, orator, visionary and leader.

Rev. Vivian served as a personal aide to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. from the early days of the Birmingham movement in Selma, Alabama. He was in Albany in '61, in Birmingham in '63 and Selma in '65. During a 1964 campaign with Dr. King and the SCLC that took him to St. Augustine and Jacksonville, Florida, he was fired on while protesting segregated beaches.

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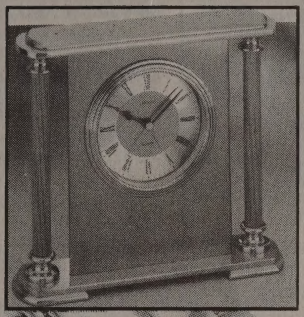

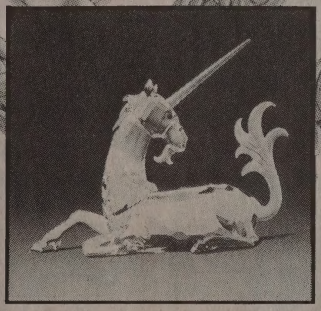

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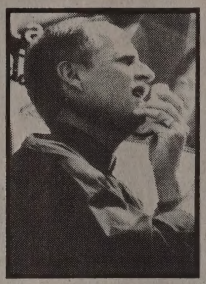
Rev. Vivian's activism didn't stop with the 1960s. In 1979, he helped found the National Anti-Klan Network, which later became the Center for Democratic Renewal (CDR) of which he is chairman of the board. The CDR monitors the activities of hate groups across the country and provides training and information to individuals and organizations dedicated to combating bigotry. The CDR has documented more than 3,000 incidents of bigoted violence against Blacks, Jews, Hispanics, Gays and Lesbians and Asian Americans during the period 1980 through 1986.



Dr. Mel White

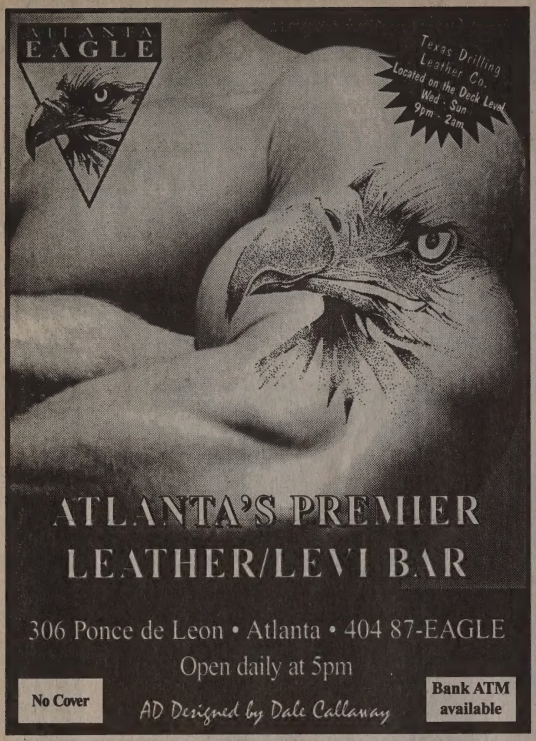
Dr. Mel White

Cathedral of Hope MCC, Minister of Justice

Mel White, a former ghostwriter for Pat Robertson and Jerry Falwell, began a new era of gay Christian social action when in February of 1995, he fasted for 23 days in a Virginia Beach jail after being arrested for trespassing at the Christian Broadcasting Network. White had gone to CBN to meet with his former boss and ask him to stop his anti-gay speech. Robertson refused to meet with White and had him arrested. 23 days later Robertson visited White in jail and promised to apologize for his hate speech. Robertson did go on the 700 Club and deplore violence aginst gay men and lesbians, but to date his anti-gay rhetoric continues.

White, a minister with the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Christian Churches (UFMCC), continues to push for dialogue with the Religious Right. He is the author of "Stranger at the Gate: To Be Gay and Christian in America."

Mel lives in Texas with his partner, Gary Nixon.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Originally from Dallas, Texas Cecelia now lives in Brooklyn, New York.

KELVIN LYNN COTHREN

Lynn Cothren's list of activities could fill this page, but here's a brief summary of all the work Lynn has been involved in over the years as an Atlanta activist.

Board of Directors, Fund for Southern Communities, 1995-98; Board of Directors, Atlanta Pride Committee, 1995-97; Advisory Board, Georgia Equality Project, 1995-96; Former Co-Chair, Board of the Atlanta Lambda Community Center; Former Co-Chair, Queer Nation/Atlanta; Former Co-Chair, 1992 Atlanta Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee; Former Buddy Captain, AID Atlanta's Buddy Program for five years.

HAL GRESHAM/ PEG

Add a wig, heels and some make-up and Hal Gresham becomes the infamous and well-loved Peg who has emceed and hosted numerous benefits in Atlanta and the Southeast for more than a few years. Readers still enjoy Peg's column in ETC. magazine. Always popular, always a voice of the community, Peg leaves her fans wanting more. "Love ya...mean it...don't go changin."

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Clockwise from top left: Lynn Cothren, Cecelia Antionette and Hal Gresham, a.k.a. Peg

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KRISTEN HALL

"For me, making music is cathartic," says Atlanta singer-songwriter Kristen Hall. "I have these feelings that I've got to express, or they will consume me."

Hall, who has toured the country with Indigo Girls Amy Ray and Emily Saliers, is no stranger to Atlantans. Not only can she be heard playing around town, Hall is now also very involved, along with Emily Saliers, with Billings House, a hospice for indigent people with AIDS.

Her albums include "Real Stuff," "Fact and Fiction" and her latest release, "Be Careful What You Ask For."

Hall is also an Honorary Grand Marshal this weekend at Pride and will perform as well.

YVONNE MONET

This is the fourth year in a row that Yvonne has been asked to emcee Atlanta Pride. She most definitely does it right! A talented DJ, she is best known for her program on 99-x and her work at local night clubs.

DICK RICHARDS

Dick operates the small but cutting-edge record company, Funtone USA, which has produced huge stars such as RuPaul and the Fabulous Pop Tarts. This is Dick's second year as an emcee. He is a regular contributor to Popcorn Magazine.

Clockwise from top left: Kristen Hall, Yvonne Monet, and Dick Richards

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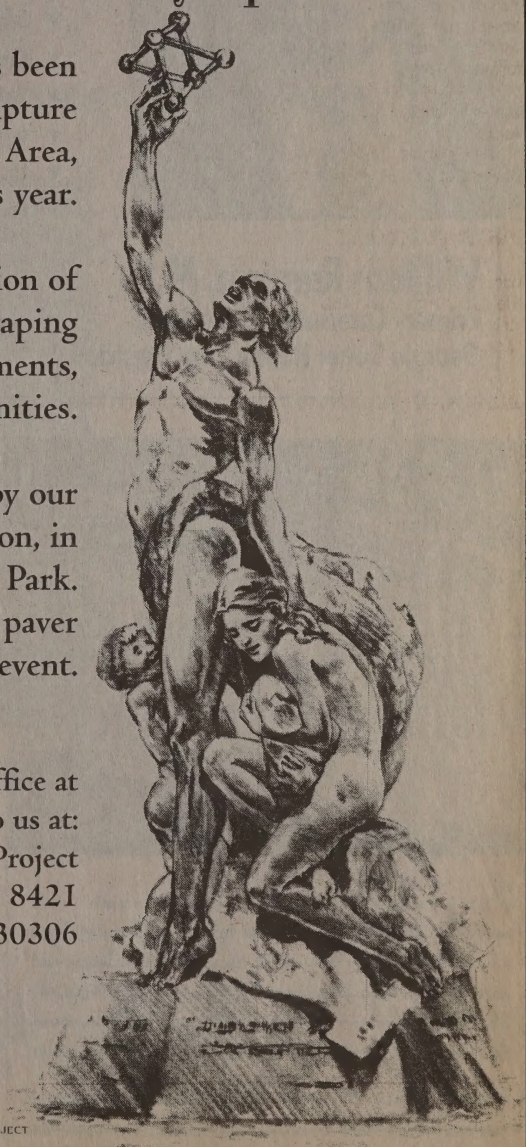

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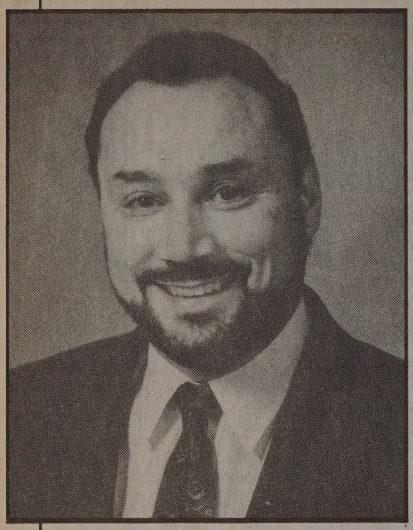

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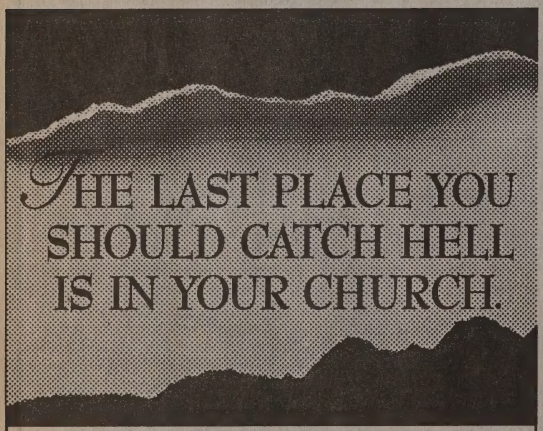

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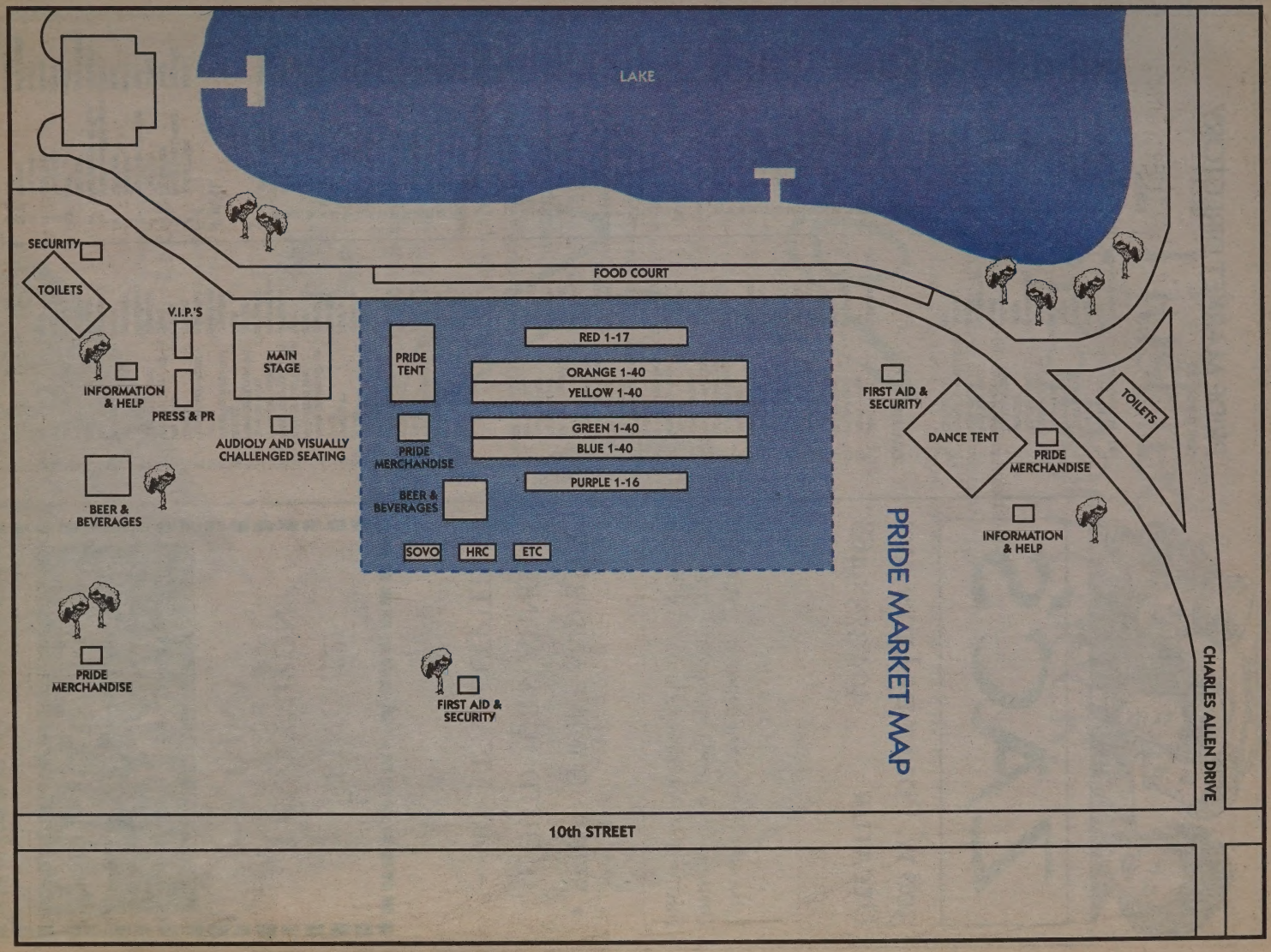
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9	Capitol Photography	photography
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13	Fido Fun Hats	pet hats
14	Pretty Baby Soaps	handmade soaps
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ORANGE

1-4	PFLAG	organization
5-7	Atlanta Soft Spa	spa
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11	Hussain/Weaver	books
12	Atlanta Gay Center	organization
13	Hardin/Farmer/Mason	glass, clay, candles
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15	Haven House	organization
16	Jim Gentry	fiber
17	Atlanta Lambda Center	organization
18	AID Atlanta	organization
19	Amy Pounds	t-shirts
20	Gr. Park Aldersgate Church	religious
21	Catherine Clemmons	t-shirts
22	Pets Are Loving Support	organization
23	Banner Menagerie	flags
24	Edu-Craft	teddy bears
25	Atlanta Team Tennis	organization
26	St. Marks United Methodist	religious
27	Ron Slotin	political
28	Atl. Free Thought Society	organization
29	Simone/Cleere	folk wood
30	Libertarian Party	organization
31	Soaring Eagle Ventures	health products
32	Friends of Vincent Forte	political
33	GSU	research
34	GA Psychological Assoc.	organization
35	Bay AIDS Service	organization
37	Abundant Grace	religious
38	Gay Spirit Vision	t-shirts
39, 40	IDA	organization

YELLOW

1	Venus Magazine	publication
2	Black & White Men Together	organization
3	Trikone	organization
4	AESM	organization
5	Straight But Not Narrow	organization
6	Comfort Spas of Atlanta	spa
7	Running Bear Trading Post	jewelry
8, 9	GLAAD	organization
10	Health-ga-lor	health products
11	SMLDN	organization
12	Atlanta Gay Men's Chorus	organization
13	Air Sea World Travel	travel
14	In Your Ear Music Emporium	t-shirts
15, 16	Atlanta Transgender Comm.	organization
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22	Colors	prints/jewelry
23, 24	Georgia Equality Project	organization
25	D'Essence	fragrances
26	Larry Grubbs	auto tags
27	Simply Sun Tanning	tanning
28	Stonewall Bar Assoc.	organization
29	Jules Bart	t-shirts/jewelry
30, 31	Interact	organization
32	Sharkware	jewelry
33	Eagles Atlanta	organization
34, 35	Peep Show	AIDS show
36	RA Services	cool ties
37	Circle of Grace Church	religious
38	Panther Leather/Levi	organization
39, 40	IDA	organization

GREEN

1	Outwrite	books
2, 3	AIDS Survival Project	organization
4	AIDS Walk	organization
5	Hotlanta River Expo	organization
6	All Points Travel	travel
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8	Brent Suffel	jewelry
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3	Tim Wilkerson	photography
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18	Womens Outdoor Network	organization
19	League Atlanta	organization
20, 21	Christ Covenant MCC	religious
22	GL/Straight Teachers Net	organization
23	Atkinson Poole	jewelry
24	Cynthia McKinney	political
25	AEN	organization
26	Mary Kritz	jewelry
27	GLOBE-Greater Atlanta	organization
28, 29	John Howell Park Project	organization
31	Hotlanta Soccer	organization
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34, 35	All Saints Metro Church	religious
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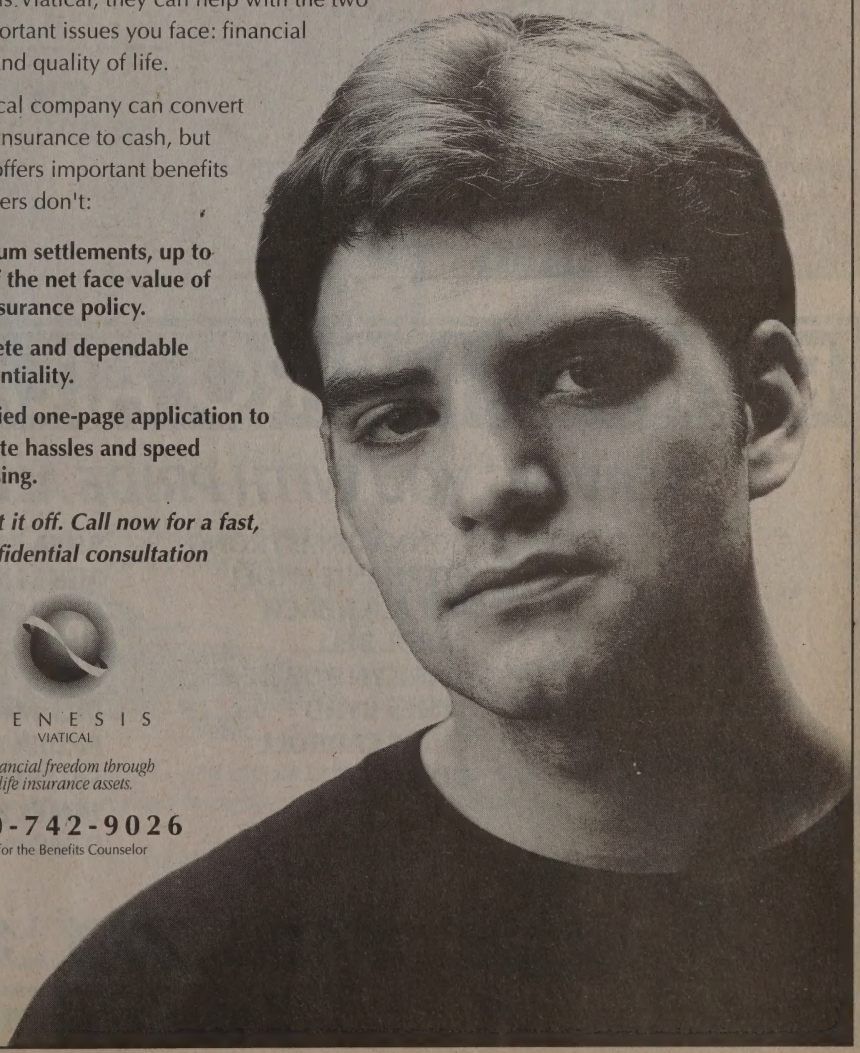

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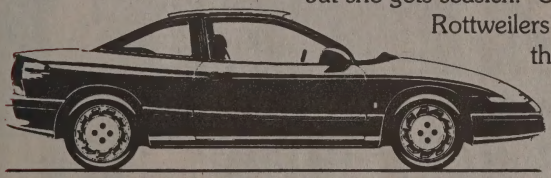

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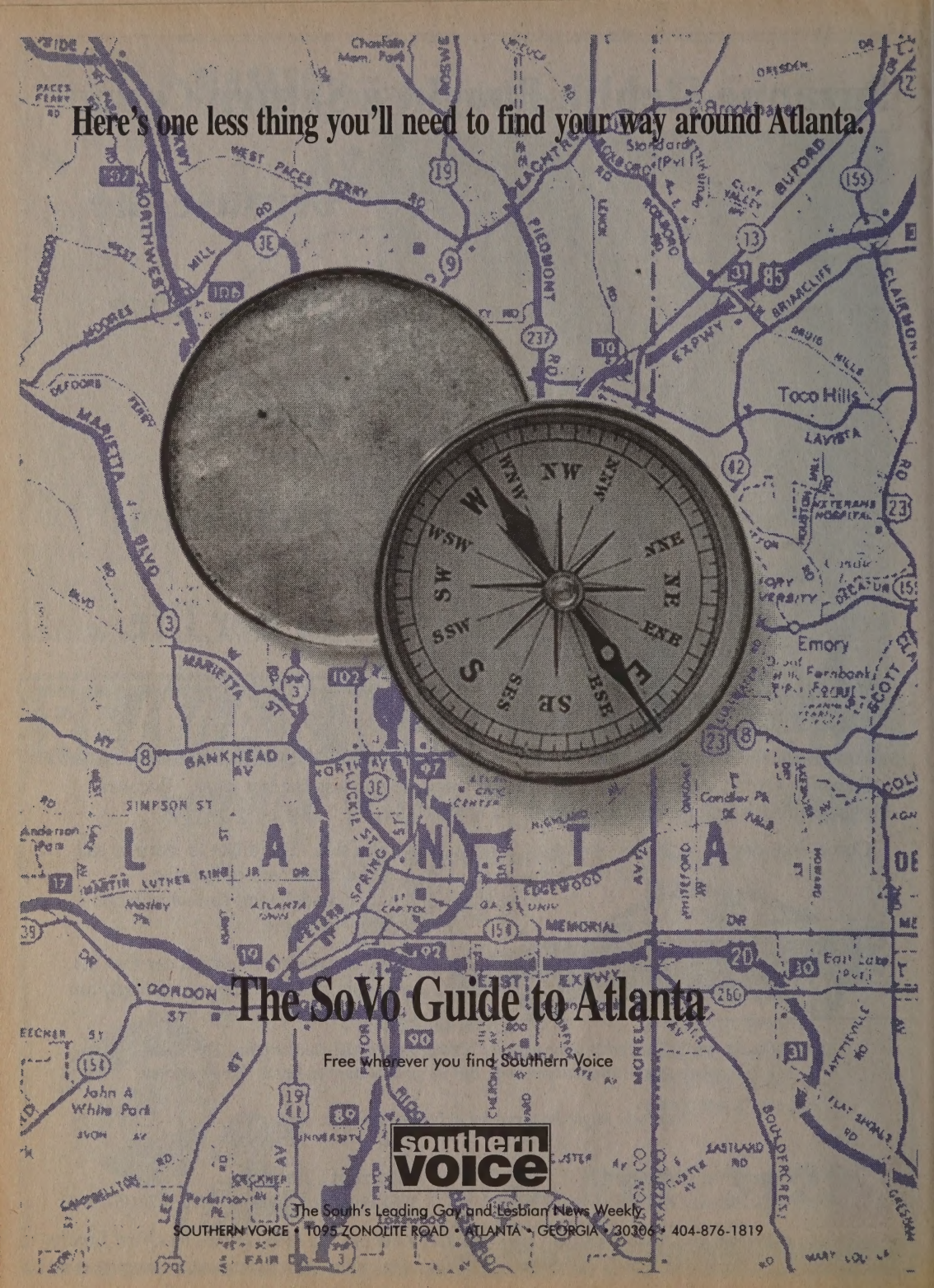
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PRIDE MONTH

Atlanta Feminist Women's Chorus Concert: "Our Very Best to You with Pride"

Saturday, June 22 7:00 & 9:00 p.m.
First Metropolitan Community Church
1379 Tullie Rd., NE
Tickets $12 in advance at Charis Books, Brushstrokes and Outwrite Books, $15 at the door. For group tickets call (770) 438-5823.

Interfaith Services

Wednesday, June 26
Mid-week service at Abundant Grace Community Church. Reverend Paul Turner officiating with special guests The Gospel Girls. Services begin at 7:30 pm at 743 Virginia Ave. NE in Virginia Highland Baptist Church. (404) 815-0036.

Mid-week service at First Metropolitan Community Church. Reverend Jay Neely, District Coordinator of the Gulf Lower Atlantic District will perform the service at 7:30 pm. The church is located at I-85 and North Druid Hills Road.

Media Breakfast

Thursday, June 27 7:30-9:30 am
Mary Mac's Tearoom
$10 buffet breakfast for local, national, and international media representatives covering the Olympics. Leaders of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender organizations are invited to attend. Donna Red Wing, GLAAD's national field manager, and Bruce Hayes, Olympic gold medalist, will attend. Sponsored by Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD). For more information call (404) 892-7372.

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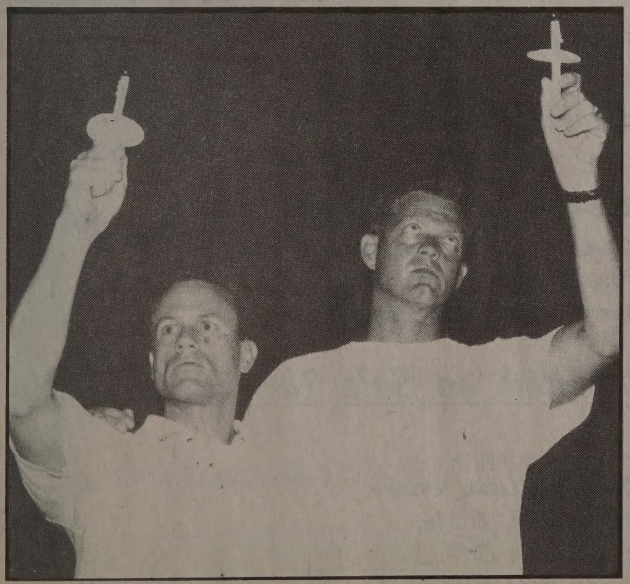
The Dyke March on Saturday, June 29 begins with drumming on the entertainment stage.



The AIDS Vigil will be held Friday, June 28, 8:30 p.m., at John Howell Park.

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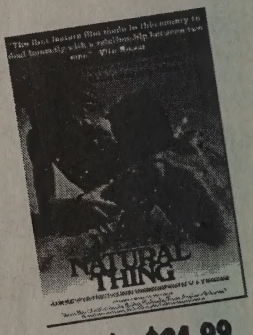

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FRIDAY, June 28

Pride Proclamation

Friday, June 28 11:30 am City Hall
Mayor Bill Campbell will present the 1996 Pride Proclamation to the Pride Committee. The Atlanta Gay Men's Chorus and Paris Gay Men's Chorus will perform.

Seventies Night at the Bell Bottom Ball

Friday, June 28 7:00 pm Pride Dance Tent
$3 admission. Sponsored by the Delta Lambda Phi National Fraternity.

The Commitment Ceremony, Friday night at 7 pm holds special significance this year in light of the passage of anti-gay marriage laws in so many states.

Commitment Ceremony

Friday, June 28 7:30 pm Piedmont Park
Rev. John Hankins, Senior Pastor of All Saints Metropolitan Community Church, will perform the ceremony. Certificates to participating couples. Reception to follow. Sponsored by Atlanta Couples Together. Contact: Randy W., (770) 974-8581.

AIDS Vigil

Friday, June 28 8:30 pm John Howell Park
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SATURDAY, June 29

5K Pride Run/Walk

Saturday, June 29 8:00 am Grant Park
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Proceeds benefit the Lesbian and Gay Funding Initiative. Openly gay HIV+ marathon runner Ric Munoz is Guest of Honor. Sponsored by Front Runners. For information call (770) 621-5007.

Hotlanta Volleyball Tournament

Saturday, June 29 8:30 am Piedmont Park
Location: top of the hill near 10th street. Registration at 8:30 am, play at 9 am. Four person/double elimination. AA, BB, and B. $40 per team. Send team roster and fees to 805-I Twin Oaks Drive, Decatur, GA 30030. Sponsored by Hotlanta Volleyball. For information call (404) 371-9957.

Dyke March

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The Atlanta Gay Men's Chorus Annual Pride Concert: "The Atlanta Flames"

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SUNDAY, June 30

Open House and Pot Luck Dinner

Sunday, June 30 5 pm
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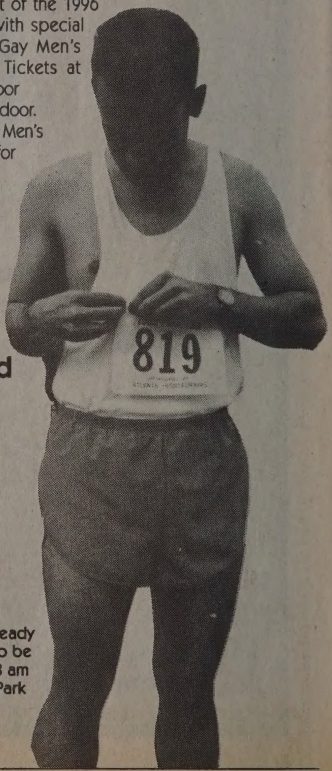

Matt Montgomery gets ready for the Pride Run to be held Saturday, June 29 at 8 am at Grant Park

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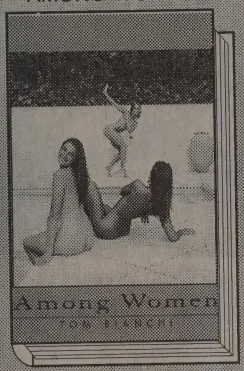

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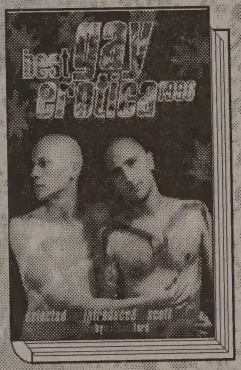

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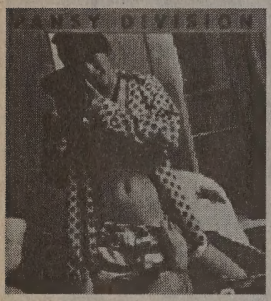

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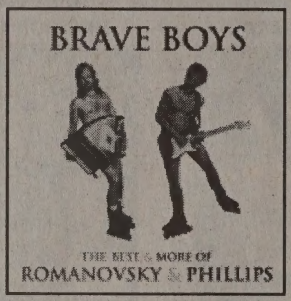

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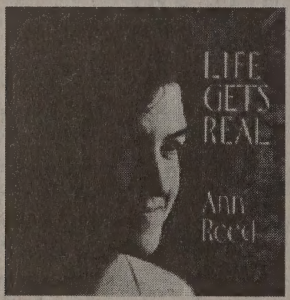

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People of the World: Listen, Think, Act!

by PETER NEWTON

A look at the international struggle for gay and lesbian rights

This summer, two million people from around the world will visit Atlanta for the Centennial Summer Olympic Games. The 1996 Atlanta Pride Festival theme is a direct invitation to the international community: "People of the World: Listen Think Act."

Here in Atlanta, hundreds of thousands gather each year to celebrate the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered community. And for millions across the nation the mood is at once festive and solemn. Festive because we are free to assemble and give voice to our minds and hearts. Solemn because civil rights don't come easily here in the U.S. And in most other parts of the world the fight for basic human rights — the right to love — is even more difficult.

It's been 27 years since the hundred or so men and women who took part in the Stonewall riots declared war on mainstream America and marked the birth of the modern gay and lesbian freedom movement. The events of those turbulent weeks secured gay and lesbian solidarity and opened up gay and lesbian rights as an international topic of conversation; a dialogue that will not be silenced.

In the decades since, gay rights activist have been dealt defeats and victories here in the U.S. The most recent and biggest victory to date — the U.S. Supreme Court ruling that Colorado's anti-gay Amendment 2 is unconstitutional. Despite the growing forces of the Christian Coalition and other religious fundamentalists, we have reason to celebrate 1996 more than any other year.

We've come a long way.

The recognition of lesbian and gay couples is increasing all over the world. Registered partnerships are in place in Denmark, Greenland, Norway and Sweden. The battle is moving forward in Belgium, Finland, and the Netherlands. Couples are recognized in many cities and communities in Spain, Belgium and France.

Closer to home, lesbians and gays in **Canada** have won a major victory with the inclusion of sexual orientation in the Human Rights Code. Equally important, this year **South Africa** became the first country to constitutionally prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation.

The U.S. government has moved faster than many of the world's nations and not nearly to the extent of others

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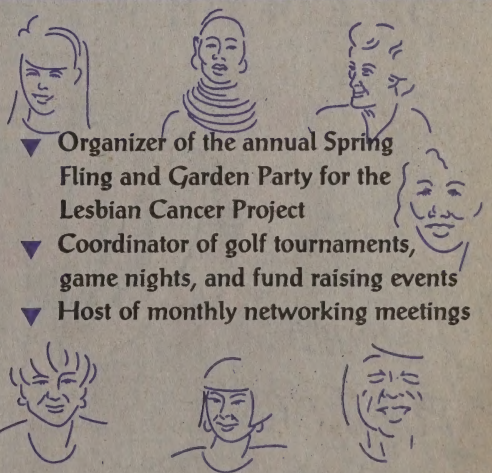

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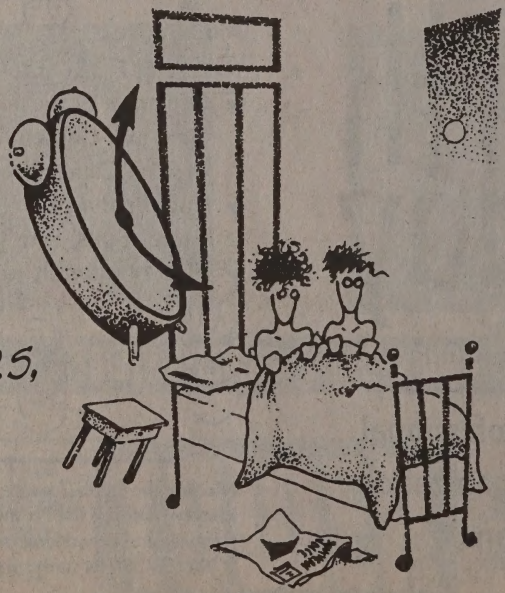

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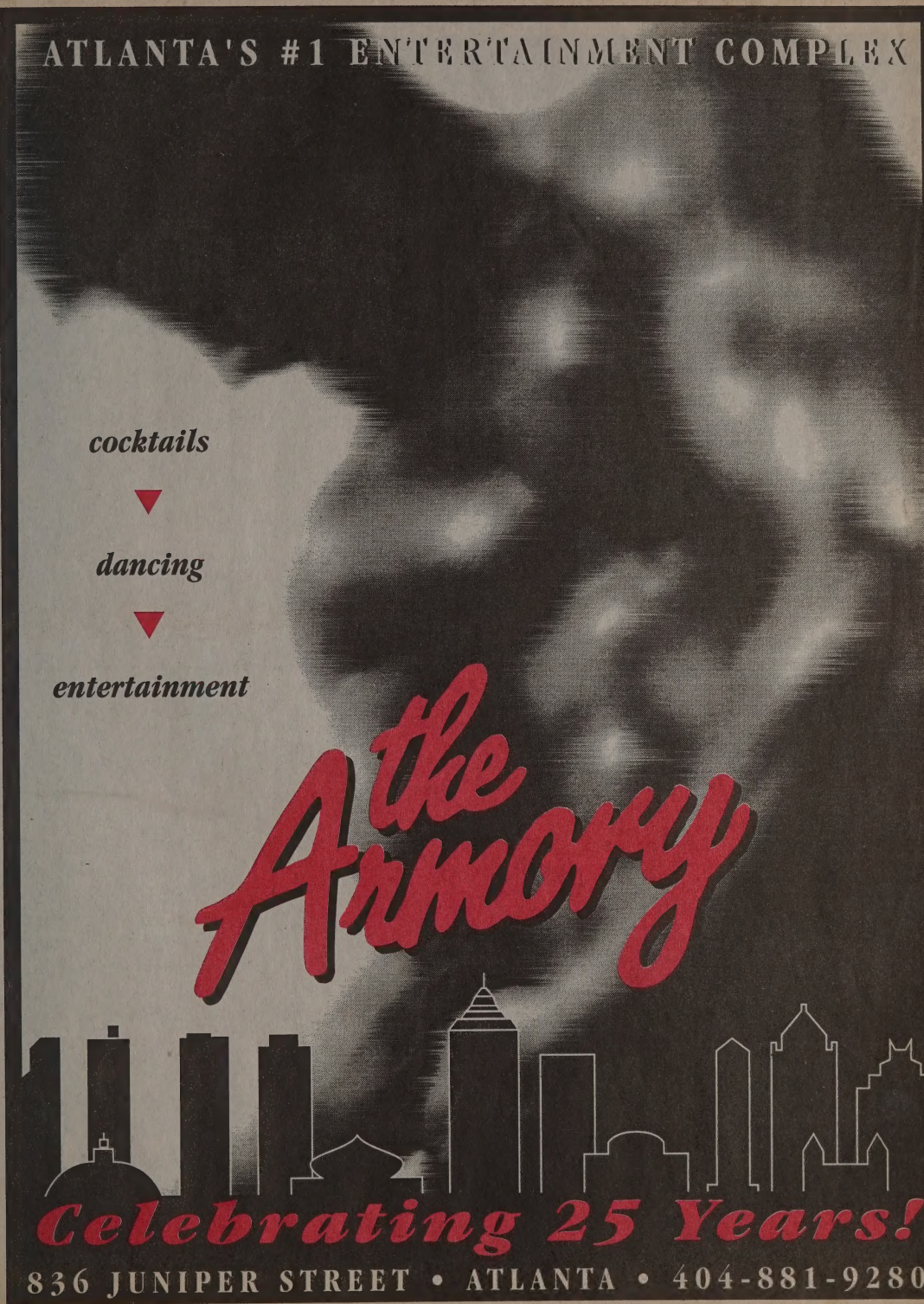
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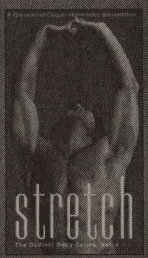

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when it comes to recognizing the equality of their gay and lesbian citizens. But through the work of committed individuals, the pressure on the powers that be can get results.

Organizations like the **International Lesbian and Gay Human Rights Commission (ILGHRC)** act as an international watchdog for fair treatment of people who happen to be gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender. ILGHRC documents, monitors and mobilizes response to human rights violations to members of these categories, as well as people with HIV/AIDS.

"We are an information resource. A lot of our work focuses on gay and lesbian activities outside the United States because we don't want to duplicate the good work that's being done by the state and local groups," says Rachel Rosenbloom, a program associate at ILGHRC.

Rosenbloom is responsible for coverage of human rights violations in Asia and Latin America. She contributes to ILGHRC's Action Alert, a newsletter that highlights urgent developments among sexual minorities worldwide. The newsletter is distributed to more than 5,000 individuals and groups every two months.

"It's hard to rank the countries of the world as to which is the best and which is the worst in terms of gay and lesbian rights. There are good and bad things happening all the time, as we can see in the United States," says Rosenbloom. "I mean the Amendment 2 ruling is a dramatic change from the *Bowers vs. Hardwick* case a decade ago." Ten years ago, the Supreme Court ruled in *Bowers vs. Hardwick* that it was okay for states to enact sodomy laws, effectively criminalizing gay sex.

"The Amendment 2 ruling was tremendously important but the court didn't say that all gay people should all be protected. It said that Colorado couldn't discriminate against one particular group of people."

"I don't think other nations are looking to the United States to set the tone. We don't set the tone at all, not when there are countries passing legislation at the national level. Places that are having the most effect on international policies are the Netherlands, Australia, New Zealand, Canada and especially South Africa where their anti-discrimination law is actually in their constitution," says Rosenbloom.

The increase of negative publicity can sometimes have a backlash effect in mobilizing a gay community. In the case of **Zimbabwe**, for example, President Robert Mugabe has fueled Parliament with anti-gay rhetoric and threatened his country's gays and lesbians with arrest. At the same time, Gays and Lesbians of Zimbabwe (GALZ) reported that membership has doubled in their organization in recent months because of the government's stepped-up

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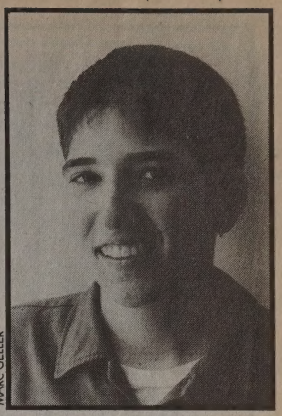

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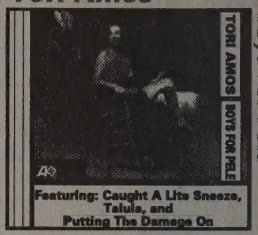

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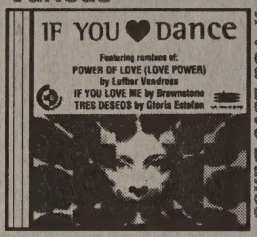
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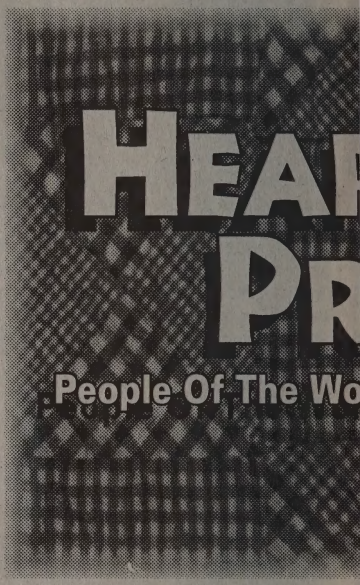

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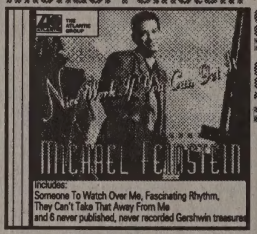
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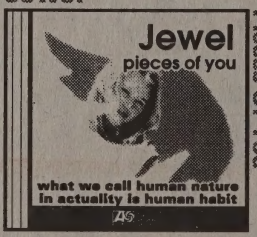

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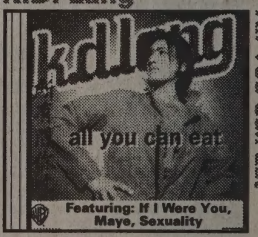

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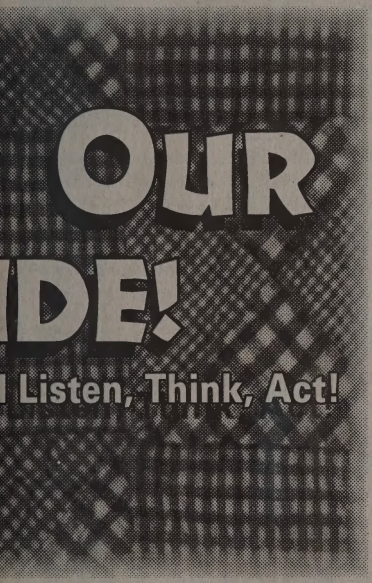

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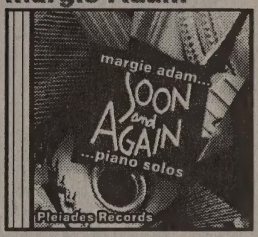

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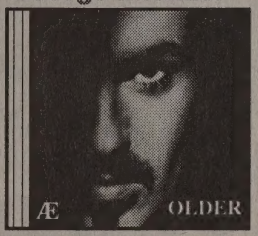

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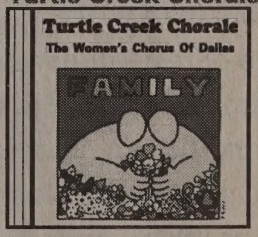

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Herbert Mondhlani of Gays and Lesbians of Zimbabwe

policy of denying gays and lesbians their basic human rights.

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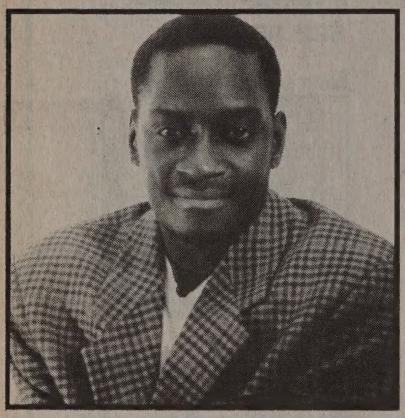

Under the Zimbabwe penal code, male homosexual acts are illegal and punishable by a fine. But that's not adequate punishment for some members of Parliament, one of whom suggested that caning and flogging be introduced as punishment for both male and female homosexuality.

Gross human rights violations against gays and lesbians are all too common in every part of the world, according to Rosenbloom. The seemingly impossible task of changing the current anti-gay climate, she insists, can only be accomplished through a truly global community effort.

"Here in the United States I think there is a definite need to expand the scope and vision of the gay and lesbian movement. Especially with the current Republican Congress, coalitions need to be built and strengthened," says Rosenbloom, who attended last year's annual National Gay and Lesbian Task Force "Creating Change Conference" held in Detroit.

"At the NGLTF Conference there was a lot of talk about welfare, affirmative action, immigration. Those kinds of issues as related to the gay and lesbian movement. The gay and lesbian movement needs to expand to include a stronger sense of social justice in this country. When you see Nelson Mandela or Desmond Tutu speaking openly in favor of gay rights, it's usually in the context of non-discrimination for all people."

The Zimbabwe government may grapple with the question of how to control their gay population but at the other end of the spectrum are countries in northern Europe where legislation could make gay and lesbian citizens more accepted.

Although countries such as **Denmark**, **Norway** and **Sweden** allow same-sex couples to register their partnership, this affords them only limited legal status.

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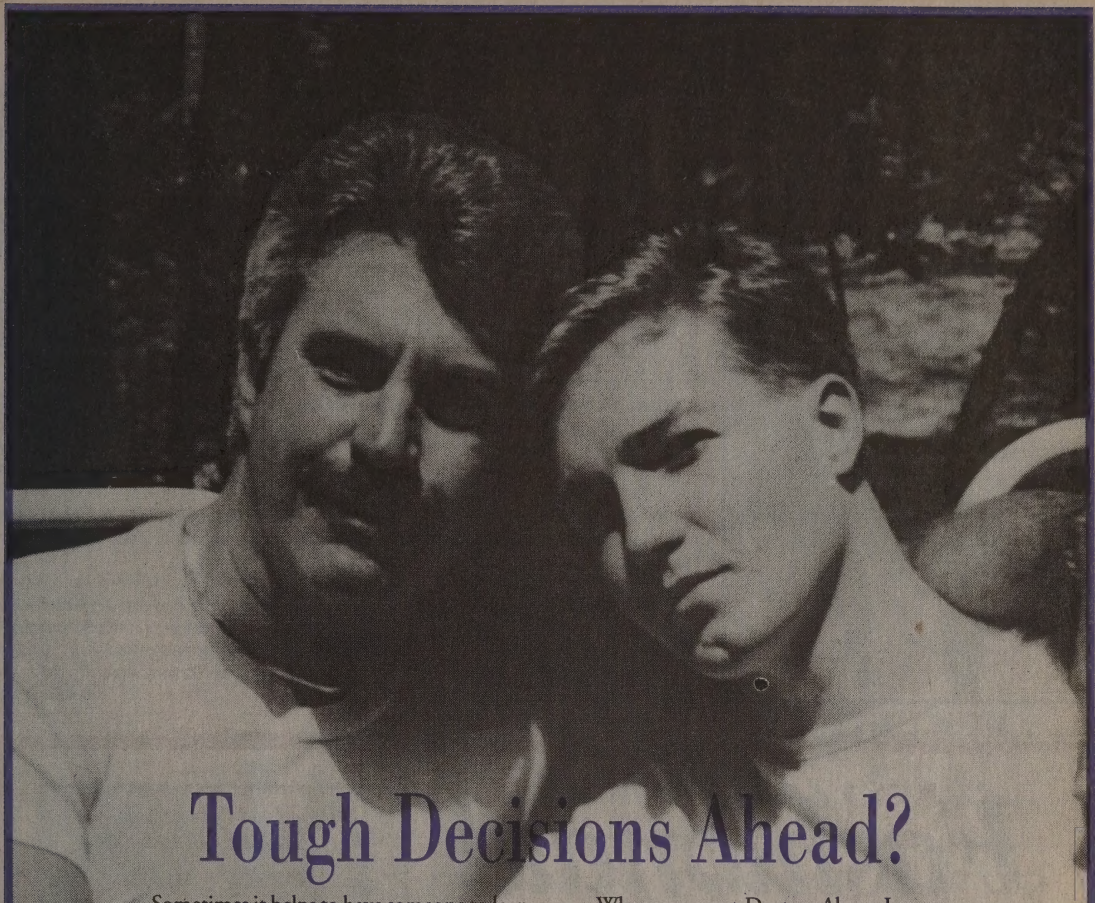

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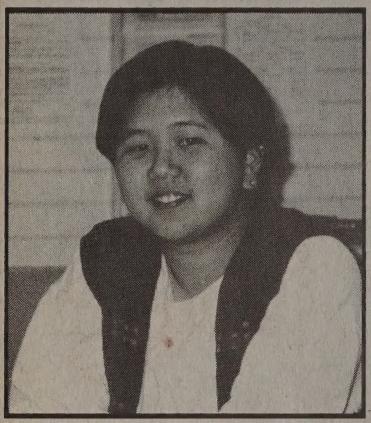
Gay and lesbian couples in the **Netherlands** can register their partnership with local authorities, but recognition of such marriage contracts by third parties like insurance companies cannot currently be enforced by law.

Recently, the Dutch government appointed an independent committee of experts to look into legalizing same-sex marriages. The committee will have one year to determine the national and international consequences of opening up the existing institution of civil marriage to same-sex couples and to advise on possible legislation. At that time the Dutch cabinet will not be bound to follow the advice, but if it does, the Netherlands will become the first country in Europe to legalize same-sex marriages.

Jennifer Kim says there is an active and thriving Asian-American gay and lesbian community in Atlanta.



Regardless of the laws that are passed in favor of gay liberation, it's the attitudes of the population toward homosexuality that have the most immediate effect on the gay community. **Brazil**, for example has no laws against homosexual acts, yet 1200 homosexuals have been murdered there since 1980.

Earlier this year, over 600 individuals were detained in a series of raids on gay nightclubs in **Lima, Peru**. Although the officers who entered the clubs said that they were searching for those who were underage, or lacked proper identification, everyone present was taken into custody. According to ILGHRC's Action Alert, statements that are distributed monthly to keep members informed, eyewitness to the Lima raids said the club-goers were shoved, insulted and subjected to demands for bribes.

For many people living in Central and South America, gathering for an occasional social evening is an act that must be undertaken with caution. But the drive to belong as a member of a community is one that crosses all boundaries.

Jennifer Kim recently moved to Atlanta from Houston, Texas. Currently, she works for the Korean-American Community Services Center, an organization that includes a program designed to assist Atlantan lesbian and gay youth with roots in **Korea**.

"Coming out was a hard thing to do, but even harder was trying to find a community of Asian and Pacific Islander women," says Kim.

In Atlanta there is an active and thriving Asian-American gay community, Kim says, one that she was glad to have found. Today, she is a member of API-QXX, a women's social and support group for Asian and Pacific Islanders that meets regularly at Charis Books & More. "I'd definitely

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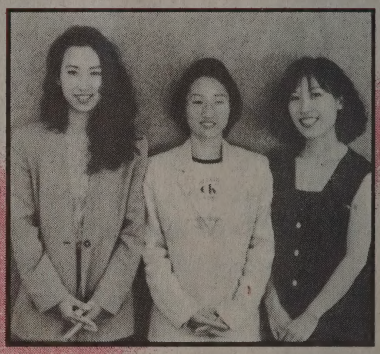

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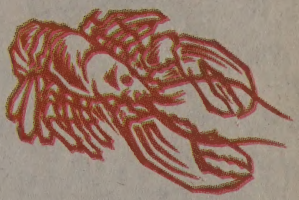

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say the gay community is more visible here in Atlanta than in Texas," says Kim adding, "but as far as being Korean-American and queer, it's been a struggle finding that community."

Given Kim's determination and activism, her challenge in finding a community where she felt comfortable was only a matter of time. But for many individuals in the world, attending a Gay Pride celebration, for example, is a dream. The international focus of this year's Atlanta Pride Celebration is a commitment to gays and lesbians around the world.

For Latinos en Acción, an Atlanta group, it is safe to participate in the Pride March. But for their brothers and sisters in Central and South America, it's a different story.

Andy Quan, staff coordinator of the **International Lesbian and Gay Association (ILGA)** in Brussels, Belgium helps give a voice to those who live in regions where it is too dangerous to speak out against their oppressors, like Iran.

Founded in 1978, ILGA is a federation of 800 lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender groups from 75 countries that helps members achieve their rights through worldwide cooperation. By focusing public and government attention on cases of discrimination ILGA has won major victories.

After years of campaigning, ILGA convinced Amnesty International to accept lesbians and gay men imprisoned for their sexuality as "prisoners of conscience." ILGA now provides AI with information on such cases.

ILGA was also instrumental in the deletion of "homosexuality" from the World Health Organization's International Classification of Diseases, and collaborates with the WHO's Global Program on AIDS.

But it's the grass roots activities, voter registration drives and Pride celebrations that truly strengthen the forces behind organizations like ILGA, says Quan. They are a symbolic show of support that sends a strong message to the world: "We are here.

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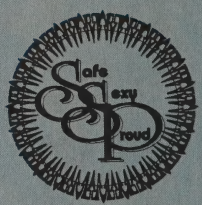

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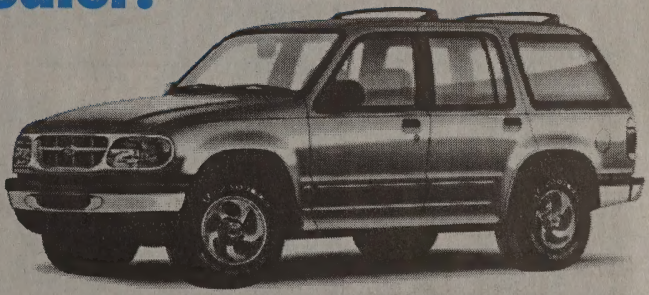

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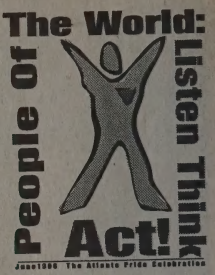

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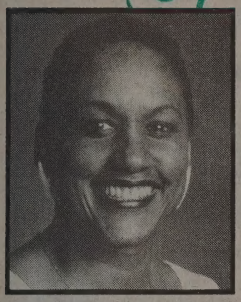

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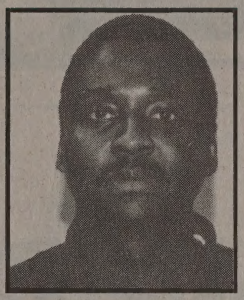

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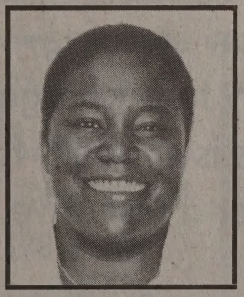

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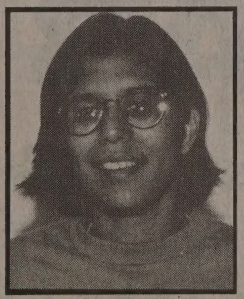

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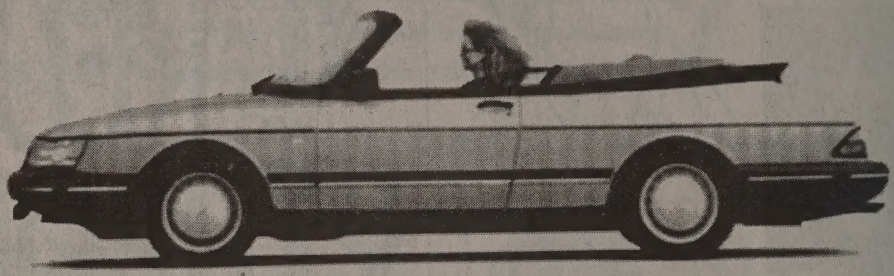

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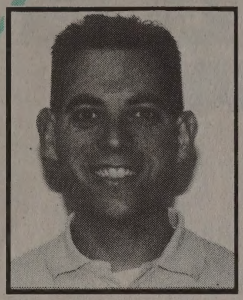

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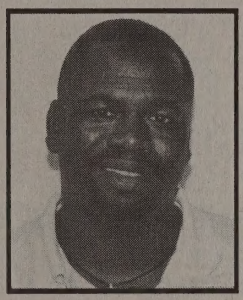

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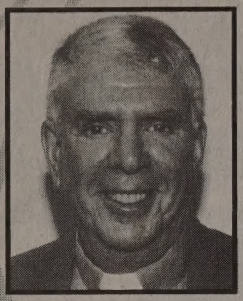

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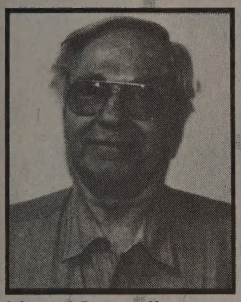

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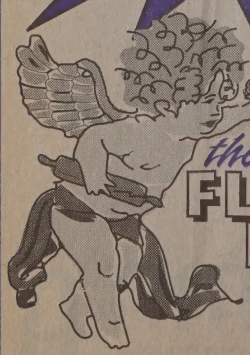

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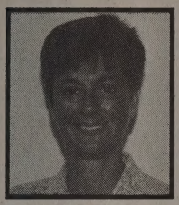

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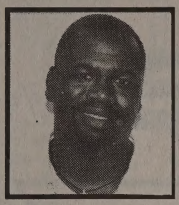

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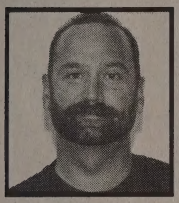

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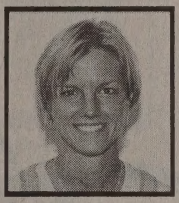

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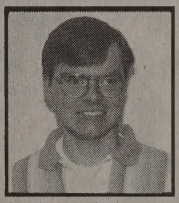

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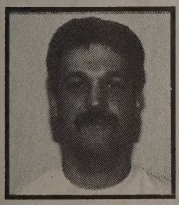

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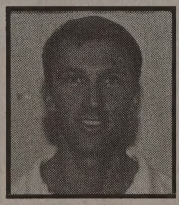

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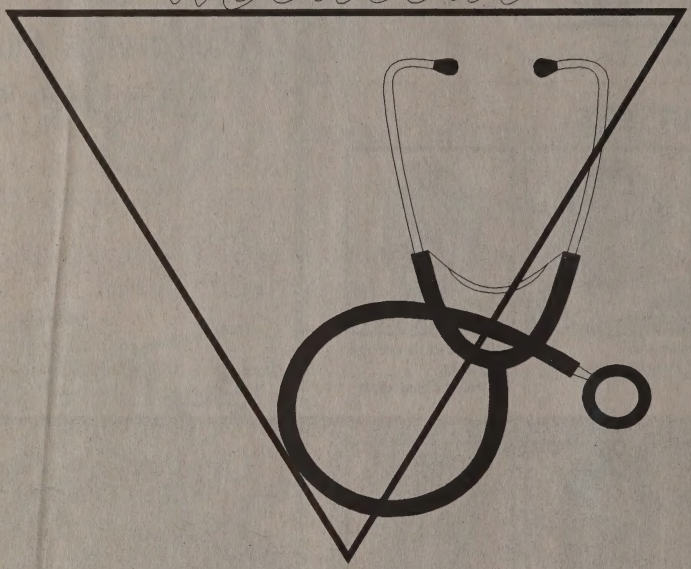

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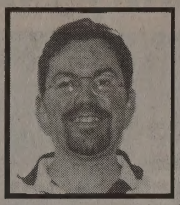

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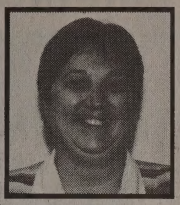

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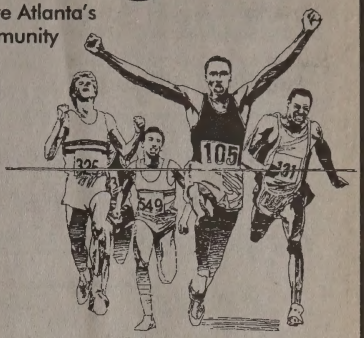

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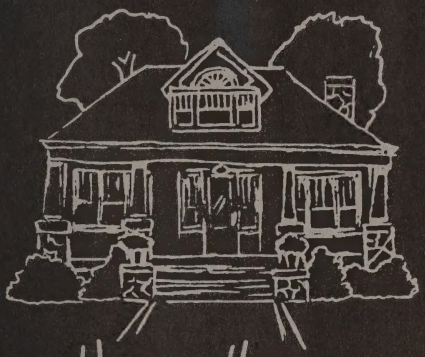

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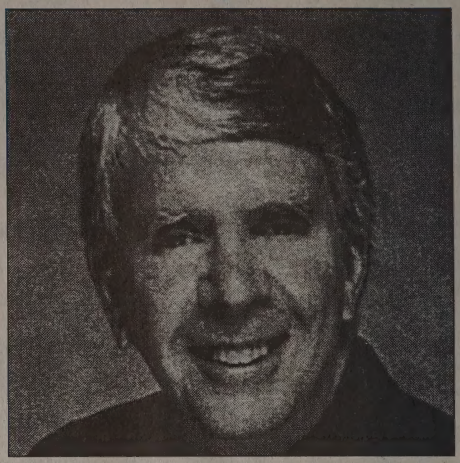

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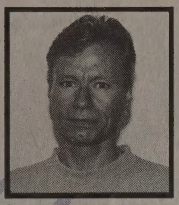

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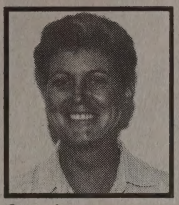

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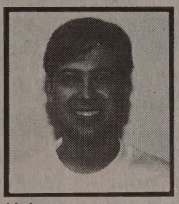

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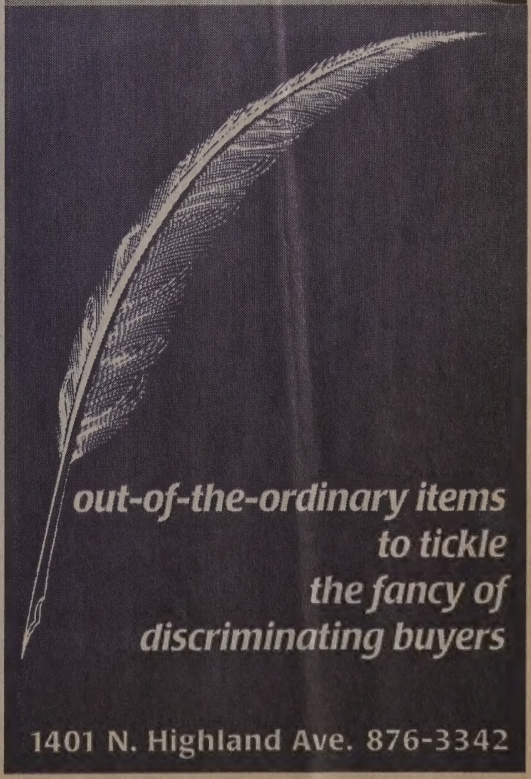

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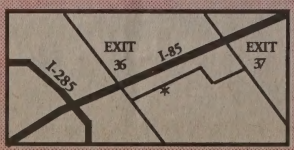

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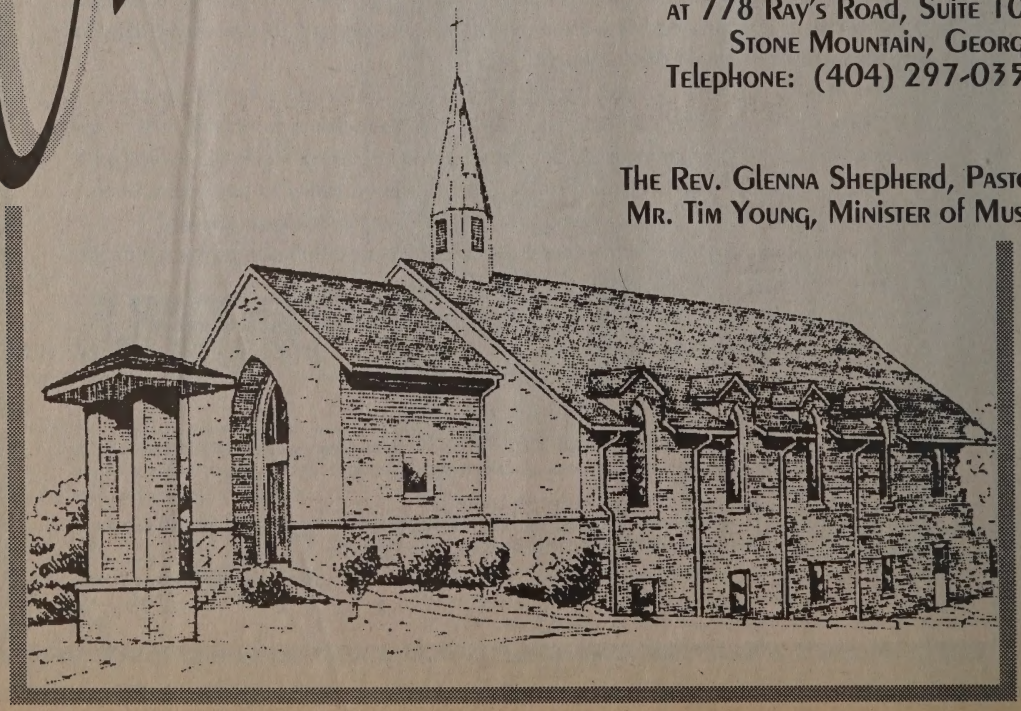

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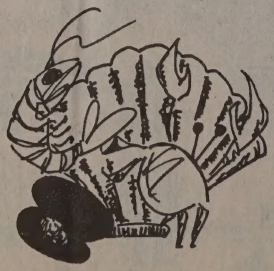

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AIDS Coalition of NE GA–706/542-2437–fax 706/549-2730–provides support services to PWAs, their families & friends, & community education & awareness. Open Mon-Fri 10-4. e-mail:aidsathe@music.cc.uga.edu
AIDS Education Program for Asians & Pacific Islanders–5302 Buford Hwy., Suite B-3, Doraville, 30340–Call Jennifer @ 770/936-0969–Providing cultural/language appropriate AIDS services for & about Asians & Pacific Islanders.
AIDS Education/Svcs for Minorities–POB 87277, Atl, 30337, 753-2900, 753-7733vm–a certified nonprofit, community-based service org. which provides transitional housing, education outreach & case management to gay African-American men living with HIV/AIDS.
AID Gwinnett–POB 884 Lawrenceville, GA 30246, 770/962-8396–respond to the HIV/AIDS epidemic thru advocacy, education, & collaboration with other agencies.
AIDS Hotline for Women–888-9991
AIDS Info Line–876-9944 (Atlanta); 1-800-551-2728
AIDS Legal Project–614-3969–free legal services in civil matters to low income persons living with HIV/AIDS.
AIDS Outreach Sewing Guild–325-4143
AIDS Research Consortium of Atlanta (ARCA)–876-2317
AIDS & Substance Abuse Speakers Network–770/977-7797
AIDS SUPPORT–Jewish Family Services–888-6400, #76
AIDS Survival Project (formerly Atlanta NAPWA)–874-7926 (voice); 872-1192 (fax)–diverse people living with HIV united to promote the education & self-empowerment of HIV-affected individuals.
AIDS Treatment Initiatives–874-4845, 125 5th St. NE, Atl, 30308, or fax 874-9320–provides access to experimental, alternative & complimentary medical treatments for people living with HIV.
Atlanta Gay Center Clinic–67 12th St.–876-5372–Anonymous HIV testing; confidential screening of other sexually transmitted diseases; complete pretest & post-test counseling. Mon-Thurs eve., 5:30-9:30pm.
Atlanta Interfaith AIDS Network–874-8686
Atlanta Lesbian AIDS Project–POB 5409, Atlanta 30307
Brother Back 2 Back–770/593-5805–POB 11366, Atlanta 30310–African-American HIV/AIDS support group.
Chapel Hill AIDS Related Ministries (CHARM)–243-5020–Support groups for the HIV infected & affected.
Childkind–828 W. P'tree St., Ste. 201, Atlanta 30308, 892-8313
Common Ground–874-6425–new ways of finding safe places for people infected with & affected by HIV/AIDS.
First MCC AIDS Ministry–325-4143
Ga. AIDS Therapy Information Network–1-800-551-2728
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Grady Memorial Hospital Infectious Disease Program–341 Ponce de Leon Ave., Atlanta 30308, 404/616-2440
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Home But Not Alone–1745 Peachtree Rd., NE Atlanta, GA 30309–875-7881 Ext. 27 or 54
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The Living AIDS Memorial Park Project–876-0105
Outreach, Inc.–3030 Campbellton Rd. Atlanta 30311–346-3922 or 1-800-441-2437–the first African American HIV/AIDS & substance abuse service agency in GA & the oldest in the South.
Pets Are Loving Support (P.A.L.S.)–876-PALS
Portsbridge–Residential hospice care for PWA(s)–770/936-9546
Positive Impact–885-9040–no-cost counseling for people affected by HIV with low incomes. Call to receive services or to volunteer.
Positive Outlook On Health–872-9954
Project Open Hand Atlanta–404/872-8089–home delivered meals for people with AIDS-related illnesses. 176 Ottley Dr. NE Atlanta, GA 30324-3925
Sisterlove, Inc.–753-7733 (voice); or 753-1500 (fax)–nonprofit organization that provides support services to HIV+ women & HIV/safer sex education to the community.

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Atlanta Gay & Lesbian Arts Festival–POB 55475 Atlanta 30308–Annual festival in support of our community. Call 874-8710.
Atlanta Gay Men's Chorus–POB 77114, Atlanta 30357, 770/977-6310
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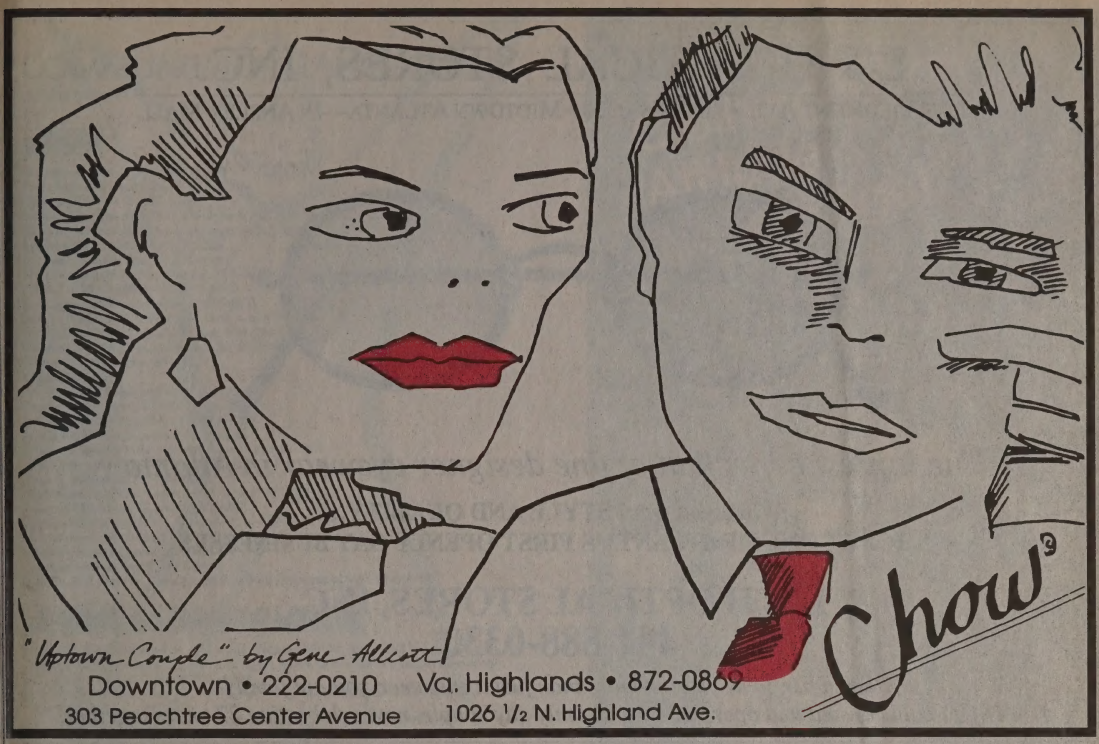

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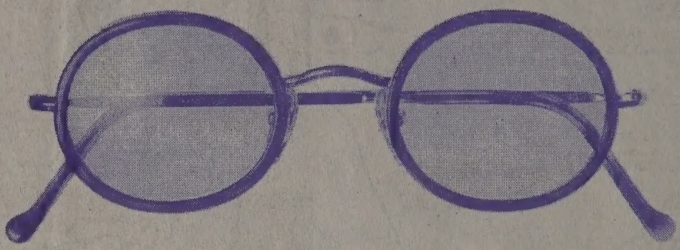

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Kaya–874-4460
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Loretta's–708 Spring St. 874-8125
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Moreland Tavern–1196 Moreland Ave. S.E. 622-4650
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Players–800 Sandtown Rd, Marietta 770/429-9115
Revolution–Ansley Square–874-8455
Scandals–Ansley Square. 875-5957
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DIRECT ACTION/POLITICAL

ACLU of GA–142 Mitchell St., Suite 301, Atlanta 30303, 523-5398 – legal assistance or referral in cases where the denial of rights is due to the victim's sexual orientation.
ACLU/Lesbian &Gay Chapter–523-5398
ACT UP–828 W. Peachtree St., NW, Suite 206A, Atlanta 30308-1146 – (vm) 874-6782, (fax) 872-1192
Atlanta Greens, Green Party USA, Lesbian-Gay-Bi-Queer Caucus–770/368-7137
Auburn Gay Lesbian Association–POB 821, Auburn, AL 36830–334/887-7638
Catalyst–404/776-1478
Cobb Citizens Coalition–POB 965336, Marietta 30066, 256-8690–Education, positive community & political outreach efforts on human rights (primarily sexual orientation) issues.
FORM Georgia–Gay marriage group. formga@aol.com (local)-404/315-1399–FORM, POB 95354, Atlanta, GA 30347, FORM (national) 227 Chelsea St., E. Boston, MA 02128–617/569-9733, FORMBOSTON@aol.com
Gay/Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation–POB 78707, Atlanta 30357-2707–876-1398–GLAADATL@AOL.com. Promotes fair, accurate, & inclusive representation of individuals & events in all media as a means of combating homophobia & all forms of discrimination based on sexual orientation or identity.
Georgia Advocates for Battered Women & Children/Lesbian Task Force–524-3847, or toll-free 1-800-643-1212; 250 GA Ave. SE, Rm. 365, Atlanta 30312–a statewide coalition working to end the violence against women & children.
Georgia Equality Project–POB 78351, Atlanta 30357–770/662-4030 vm
Georgia Log Cabin Republicans–Meet at 7pm on 1st Thurs. of every month at Mary Mac's Tea Room. Call 770/849-6060 for more info.
Georgia Patriot Party–874-3185 for info–Independent third party supporting democratic reform. Meets 2nd Saturday of every month.
Human Rights Campaign–Atlanta–POB 78401, Atl 30357, 770/840-6969 (vm)
LesBiGay Connection–POB 56701, Macon, GA 31208-6701–912/742-2437
Lesbian Avengers–798-7742
National Organization for Women–875-0176
National Org. for Women, Gay & Lesbian Rights Task Force–315-0084–Grassroots politics & coalition building. Works within NOW to ensure rights for lesbians/gays.
Olympics Out of Cobb–POB 55543, Atlanta, GA 30308–404/814-0228 (press 2)–E-Mail–TorchOut@AOL-COM
Out Front–POB 12369, Atlanta 30355
Queer Planet–875-7711–Using our queer identities to fight homophobia & all oppression. Meets every Wed., 7:30 pm at AIDS Survival Project, 828 W. Peachtree St., N.W.,#206A
Republicans for Individual Freedoms–PO 13162, Atl, GA 30324, 239-1679–gay republicans fighting "homophobia" in Republican party & fighting "Republiphobia" in the gay community.
Straight But Not Narrow–POB 71202, Atlanta 30306–770/242-2256–Straight people working in coalition with l/g/b/t people. We believe in fairness & equality & the power to make positive change. Call for info on volunteer opportunities.
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Human Rights Campaign–1011 14th St. NW, Suite 200, Washington, D.C. 20005, 202/628-4160
Lambda Legal Defense Fund–666 Broadway, 12th floor, New York, NY 10012, 212/ 995-8585
National Gay & Lesbian Task Force–1517 U. Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20009, 202/ 332-6483
Old Lesbians Organizing for Change–OLOC, POB 980422, Houston, TX 77098

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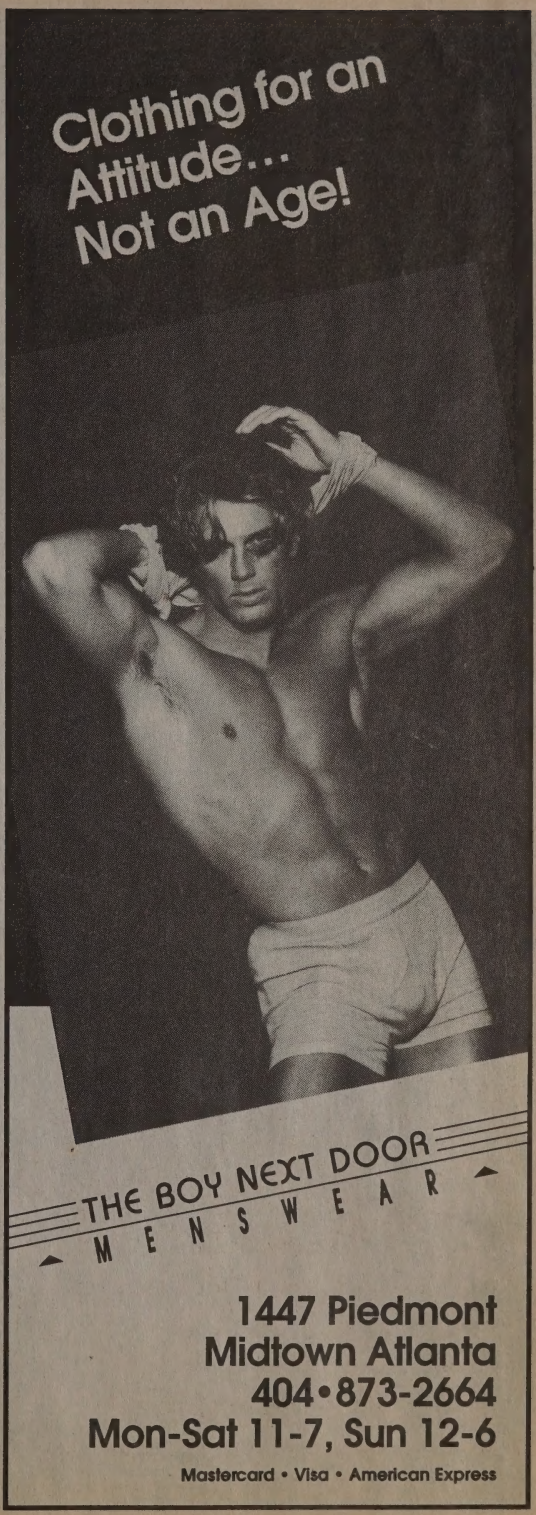

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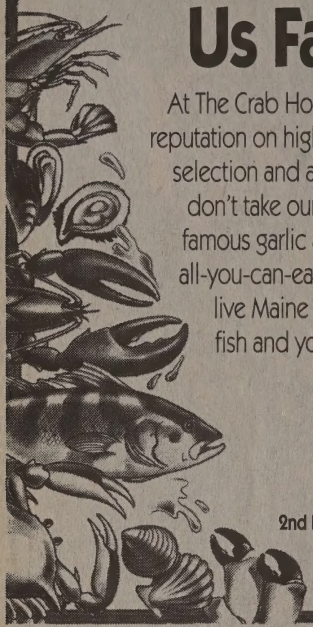

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Atlanta Executive Network (AEN)–POB 77267 Atlanta 30357-1267–814-1418–Atlanta's largest business & professional group. 6pm third Thursday. Members $10. Guests $20.
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Fourth Tuesday–662-4353
Gay/Lesbian Postal Employees Network (G/L PEN)–POB 580397, Minneapolis, MN 55458-0397
GA Association of Physicians for Human Rights (GAPHR)–231-2251
GLOBES–POB 7864, Athens, GA 30604–706/546-4611–Gay, lesbian, or bisexual employees & supporters at UGA for faculty, staff & graduate students.
GLSTN–Gay, Lesbian, Straight Teacher Network–POB 5512, Atlanta 31107–872-4320
Greater Atlanta Business Coalition–Promotes & encourages economic development & growth of businesses in the lesbian & gay community. 377-4258
League Atlanta, Inc.–POB 7784, Atlanta GA 30357–404/248-2009–Lesbian, Bisexual & gay United employees–an educational, resource & support group for all employees at AT&T.
National Gay Pilots Association–POB 27542, Washington, D.C. 20038-7542, 703/660-3852
Stonewall Bar Association of Georgia, Inc.– Georgia's voice for gay, lesbian & bi attorneys & legal professionals–POB 7708, Atlanta, GA 30357–404/621-4663

SPIRITUAL

Abundant Grace Community Church–743 Virginia Ave., N.E. 30306–404/ 815-0036–Independent Christian church serving the gay & lesbian community of Atlanta.
All Saints Metropolitan Community Church –622-1154–an inclusive, friendly, spirit-filled church located in Atlanta.
Atlanta Church of Religious Science–1700 Commerce Dr., Bldg. C, Suite 100, Atlanta, 30318–355-3767–We see & use the thread of truth that runs thru all great religious teachings.
Christ Covenant MCC, Stone Mountain–297-0350–Christian community accepting & celebrating spiritual & cultural diversity in human experience, reason & art.
Circle of Grace Community Church–404/624-1140–Atlanta Friends Meeting House, 701 W. Howard Ave., Decatur–A Christian feminist worshipping community, where all are welcome. Services are on Sundays at 6pm.
Clifton Presbyterian Church–404/373-3253
Congregation Bet Haverim (Jewish)–770/642-3467–a Reconstructionist Synagogue serving the lesbian & gay community.
Dignity/Atlanta–770/409/0203–POB 14342, Atlanta, GA 30324–Gay & Lesbian Catholics who provide spiritual support.
Fellowship of Love Christian Church–Columbus, GA–706/660-0101
First Existentialist Congregation of Atlanta–378-5570–celebrating human liberation & diversity for 18 years with respect for individual beliefs.
First Metropolitan Community Church of Atl–325-4143–a Christian church serving the gay & lesbian community, their families, & friends since 1972.
Friends for Lesbian & Gay Concerns (Quakers)–872-9682
Gay Spirit Visions–292-8567
Goddess Oriented Spirituality Group–770/987-0402
Georgia for Religious Freedom–POB 88750 Atlanta 30356 –351-7034–A nondenominational, nonpartisan community organization dedicated to preserving the religious liberties & freedoms of all Americans.
Georgia Mountains Unitarian/Universalist Church–Hwys 400 & 60, Dahlonega–706/ 864-0661
Grant Park Aldersgate United Methodist Church–404/627-6221; 575 Boulevard SE
Integrity (Episcopal)–770/642-3183
Interweave/Unitarian Universalist Congregation–634-5134, George at 688-2242–G/L/B Unitarian Universalists & others interested in spiritual development within a liberal, non-creedal atmosphere.
Lutherans Concerned/Atlanta–636-7109
Mormons:Gay, Lesbian & Bi-sexual Latter Day Saints of Atlanta–404/244-9576–A social-support org. (non-church affiliated) is forming to provide fellowship, encouragement & monthly interactions for g/l/b Mormons, their family & friends.
Mount Calvary Lighthouse–POB 2454, Smyrna GA 30081–770/319-8357–Holds services every 4th Wed. at 7pm.
New Age Gays–770/434-7338
Oakhurst Presbyterian Church–378-6284
Redefined Faith Worship Center–388-4624
Seventh-day Adventist Kinship International–POB 7320, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677–714/248-1299–A nonprofit organization with charitable status, serving present or former Seventh-day Adventists who are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transsexual.
St. Aelred's Ecumenical Catholic Church–404/377-3780–POB 3191 Decatur 30031-Part of Independent Catholic movement. Mass Sun. 11 am.
St. Marks Methodist–Corner of Peachtree & 5th–404/873-2636–Service @ 11 am Sundays.
Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Atlanta–1911 Cliff Valley Way, NE–404/634-5134. Sunday services: Summer 10 am; Sept-May 9:30 & 11:15 am. Childcare and childrens religious education provided.
Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Athens–780 Timothy Rd., Athens–706-546-7914

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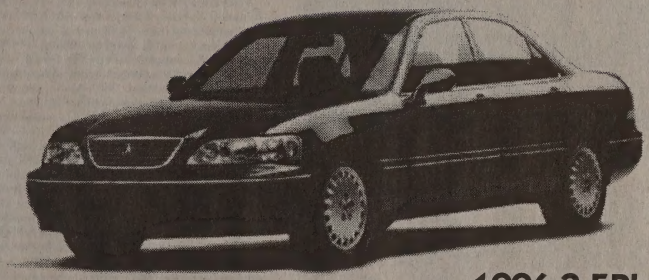

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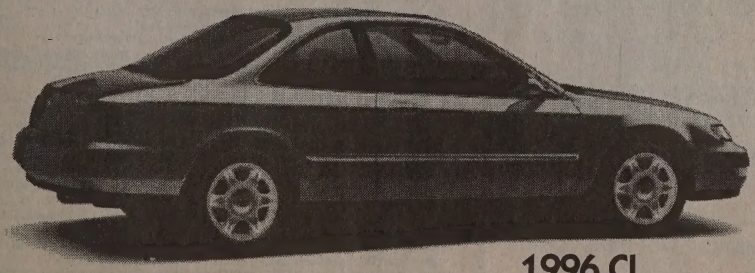

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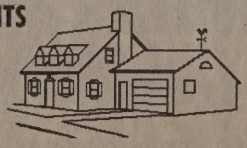

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Hotlanta Softball League–POB 14582, Atlanta 30324, 875-1991–recreational & competitive softball for gays & lesbians - Sundays from February to November.
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S.E. Gay Rodeo Assn–POB 7881, Atlanta, 30357. 760-8126–amateur rodeo organization which hosts a gay rodeo each April here in Atlanta.
Single Outdoor Women's Weekends at Swiftwaters–Dahlonega–706/864-3229–Hiking, Canoeing, Rafting
Sisters of the Court–Women's noncompetitive basketball. Mondays 6-8pm.–892-2885
Wilderness Network of GA–Outdoors group for gay men (hiking, backpacking, kayaking, cycling, etc.); all levels exp., ability. SASE, POB 55156, Atlanta 30308.
Women's Outdoor Network–770/479-5773
Women's Rugby–237-2752
Women's Ultimate Frisbee–351-0914
TRICKS/Bridge Club–1202 Summit North Atlanta 30324

SERVICE/SUPPORT/SOCIAL

API-QXX–A social organization for Asian & Pacific Islander queer women in Atlnata. Meetings every 1st Sun. of the month, social events every 3rd weekend of the month.–5302 Buford Hwy., Suite B-3, Doraville, 30340.–770/451-4389, fax: 770/458-9377
Adoption Options, Rainbow Kids–404/633-6021–We help to educate prospective adoptive parents about the options, costs & the process of adoption by Gays & Lesbians.
African American Lesbian/Gay Alliance–404/908-7371
American Educational Gender Info Service –POB 33724, Decatur 30033–404/ 939-0244 (eve)–nonprofit organization providing support for transgendered persons (transsexuals, crossdressers) referrals, information, support group. Confidential.
Athens Lesbian Information–LSG, POB 7864, Athens, 30604–monthly potluck; weekly drop in, local restaurant; biking, hiking, camping; monthly newsletter with details.
Athens Youthpride–706/546-4611
Atlanta Corporal Punishment Club–Box 56024, Atlanta 30343, 653-1107
Atlanta Couples Together–POB 54311, Atlanta, 30308-0311. 365-2455
Atlanta Freethought Soc.–POB 813392 Smyrna, GA 30081-3392–770/641-2903–Socially engaged, non-theists advocating church/state disentanglement & rational, human centered ethics. Meet 2nd Sun.
Atlanta Gay Center–Atlanta's longest running community service since 1979. 71 12th St. 876-5372. Helpline–892-0661 (voice & TDD)– Community info by voice menu 24 hours, plus routine or crisis counseling by trained volunteers from 6-11 pm. daily.
Atlanta Pride Committee–770/662-4533
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Atlanta Lambda Community Center–POB 15180, Atl 30333. 404/881-1985
Atlanta Prime Timers–2480-4 Briarcliff Rd. #226, Atlanta, GA 30329-3034—770/734-2490. Chapter of international support organization for gay & bi-sexual men over 40.
Atlanta Pro-Choice Action Committee–239-8016
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Atlanta Women of Leather (AWOL)–POB 8591, Atlanta 30306–770/662-4198
Black & White Men Together–892-BWMT
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Boyz of Distinction–POB 78091, Atlanta 30532
Caregivers to PWAs Support Group–874-1109 or 875-6109
Carrollton Gay Community Newsletter–POB 2416, Carrollton, GA 30117
Closet Space–support, advocacy, information, networking & education to the gay, lesbian & bisexual community of middle Georgia. POB 368, Bonaire GA 31005-0368.
Codependents Anonymous–239-1657
Consciousness Raising & Support Group for Women in Politics & Grassroots Organizing–636-7435
Creative Spirit Support Group–Creative support group for women based on The Artist's Way. 378-3503
Dahlonega Counseling Center–Support group for parents, families & friends of lesbians & gays in N. Georgia-Dahlonega–706/864-3080 or 706-864-1333.
Digital Queers/Atlanta–404/814-0228 vm or e-mail DQAtlanta @aol.com–Digital Queers is a National organization devoted to computer & support for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender people. It also supports these people working in the computer industry.
Disabled Lesbian Support Group–Second Mon. of each month. Meet us for a meal & discuss issues pertaining to being disabled. 770/270-9618
Dykes on Bykes–Social/service group for lesbian motorcyclists–770/931-3362.
Emotions Anonymous–Northside Hospital at 8 pm-Fridays–Johnson Ferry Rd. & Peachtree Dunwoody–770/925-4825–12 step group for people who feel that they have any emotional difficulties. Meetings worldwide.
First City Network, Inc.–Nonprofit org. for lesbians & gays. Hosts social events, community education forums, advocacy, information. 912/236-CITY or FCN, Box 2442, Savannah, GA 31402.
Fourth Tuesday–POB 7817 Atlanta 30309–662-4353–A networking organization with social, recreational, educational & professional activities for all lesbians.
Friday Night Support Group–627-7387–open to all lesbians are a friendly discussion group.
Funny...That Way! Gay/lesbian/bi youth drama program. Free workshops. 509-5551.
GAPHR's Support Group for HIV+ Dentists-Physicians.–634-0672
Gay Fathers of Atlanta–342-6451

Gay Help Line–6pm-11pm 892-0661
Gay/Lesbian AA & Al-Anon–881-9188
Gay/LesbianTask Force to the Public Safety Community of City Council–330-6504
Gen-X Bears–The international Network of Younger Bears ages 18-35–2542 Montgomery Ave., Concord, CA 94519–URL: http://www.spdcc.com/home/genx
Interact of Atlanta–770/477-3998
John Howell Park Project–876-0105
Lambda Car Club–POB 11705, Atlanta 30355–770/907-9447–Social group for men & women interested in collectible & special interest automobiles. Monthly events include shows, tours, rallies & more.
Lambda Group/Narcotics Anonymous–708-3219
Latinos En Acción–621-5743
Lesbian Alcoholics Anonymous–404/294-0667
Lesbian Gay Parent Coalition–Atlanta (L.G.P.C.)–1904 Monroe Drive, NE Suite 200–404/873-5503
Lesbians Over 50– Call Chris at 404/505-1030
Low-Cost Psychotherapy Services–provided by experienced clinicians in private-practice setting at Metropolitan Psychotherapy Community Clinic, a nonprofit organization.–404/321-4954, ext. 8.
Men of Little 5 Points–POB 5425, Atlanta 31107, 521-1817–social & service club for gay men residing in the greater L5P area.
National Gay & Lesbian Journalist Association–POB 8796–734-2591
Northeast GA Mountain Family Gatherings–706/864-3229
Overeaters Anonymous (gay/lesbian group)–373-7042
Panther L/L, Inc.–POB 191286, Atlanta 31119-1286–One of Atlanta's most active leather/levi clubs is a nonprofit international social organization dedicated to community service.770/723-0867
Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbians & Gays/Athens–706/742-9511
Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbians & Gays–875-9440, POB 8482, Atlanta 30306-8482
Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbians & Gays/Chattanooga–423/875-5750, 423/622-3813
Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbians & Gays/Southside–691-4729 or 770/981-5310
Photographers & Filmmakers of Color–A network to help promote local artists. Meets twice monthly. Call Allen at 770/621-2660
Positive Black Lesbians United (PBLU)– POB 655, Avondale Estates, GA 30002. 250-7950 – positive lesbians of color exchanging powerful, productive & educational ways of dealing with our everyday challenges.
Pride for Asian Youth (PAY)–5302 Buford Hwy., Suite B-3, Doraville, GA 30340–Contact Jennifer at 770/451-4389, fax: 770/458-9377. A social/support group for g/l/b Asian-American youth.
The Rainbow Project—Ending violence in our relationships. For info, call 404/325-0090 or 875-8777.
Second Sunday Men's Discussion Group–POB 310, Decatur 30301, 404/325-7321. Support group for African-American gay & bisexual men. Also sponsors retreats & forums.
Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN)–Helps men & women hurt by the military's gay ban. Call (202) 328-FAIR for confidential counseling.
Sexual Compulsives Anonymous–239-8048
Single Lesbians Considering Parenting–404/373-8692
Sisters of 30 Something Special–997-6240
Southern Bears, Inc.–POB 13964, Atlanta 30324—404/908-3381
Survivors of Incest Anonymous–POB 2013, Decatur, GA 30031; 239-8018
Trikone–South Asian Gay & Lesbian Org.–892-0475–Meets 2nd Sat. each month at 5pm.
Uniformed Services Activity–Box 6057, Arlington, VA 22206
Women's Resource Center–688-9436 (WRC)–free, confidential supportive services for battered lesbians. 24-hour crisis line, support group, legal advocacy, shelter.
Young Adult Support Group–Atlanta Gay Center. 63 12th St.–876-5372–For younger gays & lesbians 14-24. Free of charge; Thurs: 6:30-8pm.
YouthPride–Teen support group (13-18) Wed. eve. 6:30-8 pm, Young Adult Personal Growth Group (18-24) Wed eve. 8:30-10 pm–815-9965
Zami–POB 2502, Decatur, GA 30031–370-1392–Support-discussion group for African-American lesbians. Meets 2nd & 4th Sun. from 6:30-8:30pm.

STUDENTS/ALUMNI

Delta Lambda Phi–National social gay fraternity–All Campuses, 365-5357
Emory GLOBAL–727-6692–Gays, Lesbians Or Bisexuals & Allies League.
Gay & Lesbian Alliance of West GA College–POB 10007 West GA College, Carrollton, GA 30018. Open to the gay, lesbian, bisexual & straight but not narrow community.
Gays & Lesbians Student Organization at Kennesaw State College–Kennesaw Community College 423-6246
Georgia College LesBiGay Student Union–Georgia College, Milledgeville, GA 31061–912/454-0385, Terrell Hall 223
Georgia Tech Gay Alumni Association–POB 350291, GA Tech Station, Atlanta 30332
Georgia Tech Gay & Lesbian Alliance–POB 350291, GA Tech Station, Atlanta, 30332.
GLBT & Friends Club of DeKalb College–404-299-4130 or 770-934-5418
GLOBES–POB 7864, Athens, GA 30604–706/546-4611–gay, lesbian, or bisexual employees & supporters at UGA for faculty, staff & graduate students. Meets 2nd Wed. of every month.
Harvard Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Caucus–POB 7281 Atlanta 30357-0281
Lambda Soc. of Clemson University–POB 5795 Clemson, SC 29632–1-803-882-1374
Lesbian/Bisexual Alliance of Agnes Scott College–638-6614
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Student Union–Univ of Georgia. Advocacy, education & support for the community at UGA & in surrounding Athens. POB 325, Tate Student Center., Athens, GA 30602–706/549-9368
OutLet–404/816-6197–Oglethorpe University gay/lesbian/bisexual group.
University of AL Lesbian/Gay Alumni Association–609-9286–social group for UA alumni & friends offers financial/political support to UA student group.

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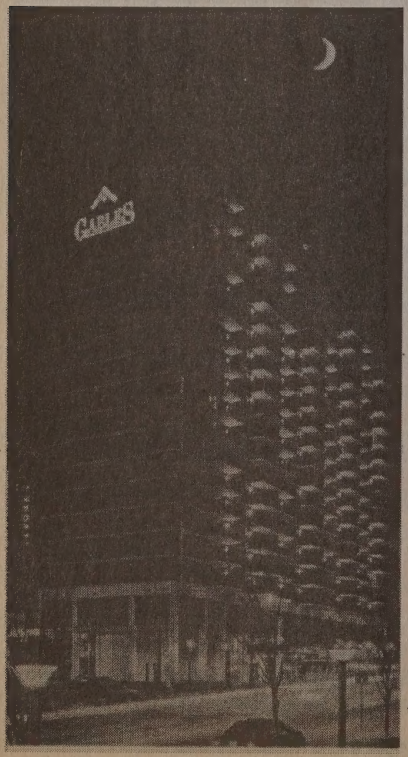

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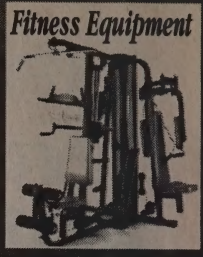

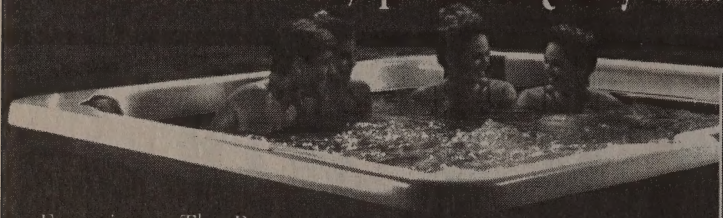

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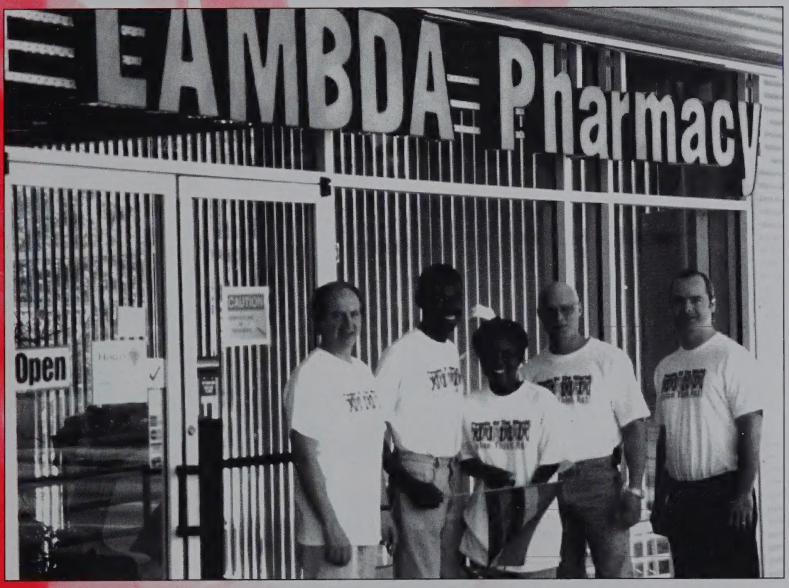

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